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#### Editorial

#### GARDEN DESIGN

Just as untutored tourists admire architectural monuments of another era in their travels, so frequently do visitors find enjoyment in the plantings and gardens of old homes or estates. This is recognition of an art that may not be understood without its meaning being conveyed by persons with knowledge of architecture and design.

Similar pleasure is found in many gardens of the present day. Most of these are the result of careful planning by landscape architects or persons similarly trained, usually professionals, though sometimes amateur gardeners of exceptional taste. The superior merit of such plantings emphasizes even more the lack of planning or design in most of the gardens about the multitude of new homes that spring up on every hand.

Probably the basic reason is that few of these contain even rudimentary plantings supplied by contractors, nurserymen or other professionals. The owners have put in a few shrubs and an occasional tree and perhaps some form of garden without more intent than to set off the lawn which is seeking a foothold.

In time, some of these homeowners, especially if they become interested gardeners, come to understand that something is lacking in their home grounds. In response to this feeling of need, perhaps, one finds more articles on landscape design in the garden magazines today, rather than total absorption in plants and gardens of a particular type. Newspaper garden editors are likewise devoting more space to the subject, on occasion, and probably this is much helped by the publicity releases of the A. A. N. and other organizations.

Inquiries of garden center operators and retail nursery firms result, especially in spring and early summer, and if a landscape planting service is available in conjunction, business develops. Perhaps all that is necessary is pointing out to the interested homeowner or budding amateur gardener that design is an essential to success in the arrangement of plants in the home grounds, design which takes into account not only colors and forms, but also sizes and patterns.

It should be pointed out that copying a design or pattern is not the answer. Each homeowner finds different problems involved, according to his property, the type of house, the size of his family, etc. While personal likes and dislikes are to be avoided in achieving the purest form of design, in practical application the owner's preferences are to be taken into account. If he is untidy by nature and undisciplined in character, probably there is little help to be given.

But most of the faults of the average gardener are lack of a definite goal. This results in indecision in the character of his plantings, often overcrowding and usually the lack of a dominant or principal interest which is to be found in good design. If the individual can be taught to seek simplicity and unity of interest as a way to avoid the appearance of disorder, a step forward has been achieved.

An experienced nurseryman, particularly one who has been engaged in home planting or maintenance, has developed some facility in the analysis of faults often found in home garden design. The home gardening public seems ripe for more instruction and information in regard to good garden design.

#### JUNE PROBLEM

This month, scores, even some hundreds, of young men who have just completed their school or college training in horticulture will seek employment in their chosen field. Many already have definite jobs to enter upon receiving their diplomas.

Quite naturally they seek a return for the years and expense they have invested in gaining knowledge and training for the future. The marked rise in the cost of college tuition, not to speak of higher living costs, has made this investment a considerable one. Hence they expect more than just the wage for labor and wonder how to get it.

The nurserymen who, for the most part, will provide these young men with employment will measure their rates of pay, from business experience, in the terms of production and capacity, rather than investment and experience. A sum of money regarded as an investment may lie idle in a bank at no return, or it may earn a comparatively low rate in a savings bank or invested in bonds, though it may earn very much more as a capital asset in a business venture coupled with ability and energy.

Hence earning power stems from the ability to produce. The usual graduate has little evidence of what he can do in that regard, unless he has had an earlier opportunity for demonstration. But the opportunities in this industry are many and varied, so that the individual who shows he can produce will rate a good return on his investment in gaining knowledge and training.

#### THE SELLERS' REMEDY

When stock becomes plentiful, complaints are likely to appear from sellers that prices are being driven down to unprofitable levels by the buyers, who naturally wish to secure merchandise as cheaply as possible so as to obtain a satisfactory markup and still sell at an attractive price to the public.

The grower of nursery stock knows that his merchandise costs money to produce, just as any other article, whether manufactured or from the soil. If he is forced to drop his prices to move his merchandise, his profits diminish and sometimes he fears they may disappear. Of course, in that eventuality the stock will no longer be profitable to produce, and if it thereafter becomes scarce, the de-mand will force prices up to profitable levels again. That is the old law of supply and demand, which is still working in this field as well as every other, except where the government provides price supports.

But often a seller yields in the matter of prices merely because of the buyer's representations and insistence, when actually there is no surplus of stock. Firmness in such a situation is the only remedy the grower can employ to maintain profitable prices. Nurserymen know better than anyone else what stock costs to produce, even when it is not known accurately, and in such an active and increasing market as they face today, they have as much right as the next fellow to profitable employment.

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## Weather Plagues Mail-Order Season

Late Spring Sales, Follow-Up Business Help Make Up for "Lost" Month of March

March was practically a lost month in the sales records of most mail-order nurserymen in the east and midwest who have reported on their spring business this year. January and February brought about a normal volume of orders, but the severe weather conditions through most of March, usually a heavy shipping month, radically reduced buyers' response, and the pickup that occurred near the end of the month and in a milder April, after catalog follow-up, was not expected to counterbalance the losses. Northern dealers especially noted lack of orders from southern areas where planting was affected by unseasonably cold weather. A cool May was giving some aid.

Besides restricting order receipt, the spring weather hampered northem operators' field work, first by the cold and then by rains and excessively warm spells. Parcel post and express service continued to draw complaint for both cost and delivery delays. No shortages of stock were reported, but sales increases were credited to package items, perennials, trees and flowering shrubs and garden seeds. Bargain collections also seemed to appeal.

#### New York Reports Varied

Despite a short season, the spring business was good, reports Howard W. Maloney, Maloney Bros. Nursery Co., Inc., Dansville, N. Y., in a letter

'Our spring business was good. We, of course, had an unusual season. The weather was cold all during

March; April broke like summer, and everyone wanted his stock at once. May turned warm, and a short season here seemed likely.

"Fruit trees, particularly apple, were in plentiful supply. Transportation seemed to be a little better than last year's. Our package business is increasing all the time, and our re-tail business seemed good, even though we are not in this phase as much as previously.

"It appears that people want things reasonably priced, particularly in the garden stores and at wholesale, but that first-class merchandise will sell regardless of the price."

"This has been a poor season for us," writes John W. Kelly, Kelly Bros. Nurseries, Inc., Dansville, N. Y., continuing: "First of all, we were late with our catalog and missed the month of January, which was a fairly good mail-order month, because the weather was mild. Then during February, March and early April, inclement weather had a noticeable effect on business.

"While we are still getting a good volume of business and our drive-in trade has been good, we don't expect to pick up what we lost earlier. It was just one of those seasons that had too many obstacles to make it a good one.

The loss felt by Stern's Nurseries, Geneva, N. Y., from slow-starting catalog sales will probably be made up by the favorable response obtained with follow-up mailings in April, according to Otto Stern, who writes:

"Returns from our spring catalog

were most disappointing until late March. Apparently customers are more inclined to place their orders when the time for planting has come.

"We received heavy catalog returns during April and into May, but this will not make up entirely for the slowness of earlier returns. Indications are that total catalog returns will remain about 20 per cent below expectations.

"Follow-up literature mailed later during April is producing satisfactory results, and it appears likely that the over-all outcome of our spring season, in spite of disappointing catalog returns, will be fairly satisfactory.

#### Michigan Season Has Setbacks

"I am happy to report that the season appears to be winding up at a satisfactory level," writes H. M. Burgess, Burgess Seed & Plant Co., Galesburg, Mich. "January and February ran fairly equal to the first two months of 1959, but we experienced one of the worst setbacks of recent years during March, which was probably due primarily to weather conditions through the

"April made up all of the loss of March and we stand currently about 2 per cent ahead of the same date a year ago. May is never a heavy month, at best, in our mail-order operation, but I think I am safe in saying that we will end up slightly ahead of last year.

"If I were to break down our business into various classifications, I [Continued on page 76]

#### **ALL-AMERICA ROSES MEET THE PRESS**

The two All-America roses for 1961 made their debut before eastern newspapers and magazine representatives at a press meeting held May 10 at New York, N. Y., by All-America Rose Selections, Inc. Paul W. Howard, Howards of Hemet, Hemet, Calif., A. A. R. S. president (right), is shown congratulating J. Awdry Armstrong, Armstrong Nurseries, Only Trie Calif. on his price winging rose Duet as Anne Purves. tario, Calif., on his prize-winning rose Duet, as Anne Purves, Miss All-America Rose, looks on. The other A. A. R. S. winner for 1961, Pink Parfait, is also an Armstrong Nurseries in-

troduction.

Among other trade members present at the press meeting were Eugene Boerner and Ken Tack, Jackson & Perkins Co., Newark, N. Y.; Charles Burr, C. R. Burr & Co., Inc., Manchester, Conn.; Sidney B. Hutton, Sidney B. Hutton, Jr., and John Lemon, Conard-Pyle Co., West Grove, Pa.; E. M. Dering, Peterson & Dering, Scappoose, Ore.; Clark Kidd, Arp Nursery Co., Tyler, Tex., and George White, Bobbink Nurseries, East Rutherford, N. J.

Given to each guest at the meeting was a handsome presentation folder containing Kodachromes and color photographs of Duet and Pink Parfait along with descriptive material on

of Duet and Pink Parfait along with descriptive material on the roses and on the function of A. A. R. S. A similar meeting held May 6 at San Francisco for representatives of the west coast press is reported in the Pacific Coast section of this issue.



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## Southern Wholesalers Report Year of Problems

Bad weather seriously hampered southern wholesalers in their spring programs almost uniformly across the country. Both Florida and Texas nurserymen traced weather problems back through fall and winter, as well as spring. March, particularly, was unprofitable for orders and lost for field work. Substantial reductions in sales volume are not noted in the reports, particularly as a cool spring developed, but the problems in labor and costs created by the weather and the final rush have made the year one to be remembered, reports indicate. The lateness of digging and shipping programs also caused a delay in planting operations.

Some stock damage was reported in Georgia and Texas, the latter state receiving weather that injured many roses last fall. Good rose stock has been well cleared this spring, and a smaller harvest is mentioned for this year. The price trend is up slightly in roses, one Texas grower states. A new grading program in Florida was also seen as likely to increase prices. So far, this season's growth of planted stock looks good.

Container stock sales continue upward, and several growers mention expanding efforts in this field. An Alabama report tells of clearance of Magnolia soulangiana and dogwoods, and in Kansas, large trees and upright evergreens became scarce. Planting for next year will be in normal volume, most growers

#### Tennessee Season "Hectic"

Delays caused by bad weather increased the shipping rush and raised costs, although volume was maintained, writes A. D. Cartwright, Jr., Cartwright Nursery Co., Collierville, Tenn. Details follow:

"We have just about completed the most hectic shipping season we have experienced since we have been in the nursery business. Because of snow and bad weather, we lost the entire month of March, both for shipping and digging, and consequently we started out in April almost from scratch. During April, we did a volume of business equal to what we normally do in March and April and, consequently, were working under extreme pressure all of the time. In addition to this, we had extremely hot, dry weather through

April, which hampered our digging and shipping operations consider-

"The demand after the weather opened up was good, and we shipped approximately the same quantity of nursery stock this season that we did last season, but had to do it in half the time. Because of the extreme rush, it was necessary for us to use a great deal of inexperienced labor, which multiplied our problems considerably, and while I believe that our volume of business this year, dollarwise, will be about equal to last year's, our profits will be very much lower, due to increased costs because of the rush under which we operated.

"We are now doing our spring planting, which should have been completed a month ago; however,

we are having favorable weather and hope that our planting will be successful. We are planting as much nursery stock this year as we did last year. Inasmuch as we did not get repeat orders this year and did not have the increase in business which we had anticipated, we will have to carry over considerable stock for next year."

#### Rushed, but a Good Year

A delayed program was trouble some, but sales volume was maintained, declares George A. Cultra, Morning Star Nursery, Inc., Rives, Tenn., in the following spring survey:

"This has been one of the most hectic spring seasons that we ever experienced. It was one mad rush from the beginning to the end, which was about May 7. Normally we start shipping around March 1, and this year we had snow on the ground until March 21.

"We were blessed with excellent weather after the season did begin, and we lost little time. With a rec-[Continued on page 65]

## Continuing Gains Noted In West Coast Reports

Reports from the Pacific coast tell of continuing gains in California, not only in local sales but in shipping to other parts of the country. Weather problems did not arise there to the same troublesome extent that they did elsewhere, but reordering from the east was affected, according to report. Stock was of good quality, with few items in surplus. Prices were firm, and some further increase is indicated. Sales of roses and container ornamentals exceeded those of last year. Expansion of container growing is indicated.

In Oregon, the season was exceedingly active. There was some unfavorable weather, but stock was not damaged. Field work was delayed, but growth is not retarded. Flowering trees and evergreens cleared well, and specimen stock showed likelihood of being scarce for some time to come. Prices were reported up slightly, to cover steadily increasing costs. Production is described as still on a conservative basis.

#### **Excellent California Season**

In spite of curtailed reordering due to weather conditions through most of the country, sales of roses and container ornamentals at Armstrong Nurseries, Inc., Ontario, Calif., showed sizable increases. John Armstrong, Jr., outlines the season as follows:

"Wholesale demand this spring has been excellent, particularly for rosebushes and container ornamentals, and sales in both categories were up considerably over those of the previous year.

"Growing conditions at our new San Joaquin valley growing growinds were never better, resulting in our harvesting one of the finest rose crops in our history. Strong initial demand and early ordering were noted from all areas of the country, with shortages of many key varieties developing early in the season. Reordering from many areas of the midwest, east and southeast was definitely affected, however, by extended winter weather.

"Our available rose crop for the coming season will be approximately the same size as it was this past year. Growing conditions have been most favorable, and an excellent crop is in prospect.

"Prices are firm, and no changes [Continued on page 82]

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# California Increases Promotional Activities

By Richard B. Kilner

Pennants were waving and colorful streamers glowing at California nurseries early last month announcing the second annual Can-Can Planting Carnival. But even as it opened, this cooperative spring sales promotion of the California Association of Nurserymen was already partially eclipsed by preparations for more extensive events this fall and next spring.

Full-scale plans can be made—and made now—as a result of the 40 per cent dues assessment for the market development program voted at the C. A. N. convention last September.

At a meeting of the C. A. N. publicity committee at Hyatt House, South San Francisco, early in April, the committee apportioned some \$30,000 for specific promotional materials and services. The following proposals gained approval:

1. A library of color and black



"Zing—it's Spring" was the theme used this year in promotional material prepared by the California Association of Nurserymen for its Can-Can Planting Carnival.

and white plant photographs, in which each plant will be pictured twice, one view showing it in a 1-gallon can in a nursery, another as it appears at average growing height in a landscape scene. From these pictures, 100 plant drawings and mats will be made for use of individual nurserymen.

2. A monthly sales and merchandising bulletin similar to that published by the A. A. N. It will be titled the Can-Opener.

3. A sales clinic film. This will show nurserymen how to set up effective displays, make tie-in sales, advertise, etc.

In addition, there will be paid association advertising for the first time to support the efforts of the individual nurserymen during the cooperative promotions. This adver-

tising will appear in Sunset magazine and in every Sunday newspaper in California.

The funds made available by the assessment also make it possible to prepare promotional materials in advance, so that they will be available at least 90 days before a sales event. In the past, it was necessary to wait for participation commitments before orders could be placed, with the result that materials sometimes arrived at the last minute or late.

#### Hampered Planning

More important, this prevented many nurseries from making wellorganized promotion plans in advance. Actually, all of the steps taken by the committee should prove beneficial not only in the cooperative promotion but also in day-to-day operations.

The already accelerated press release phase of the program is being stepped up even more. Since Pettler Advertising, Inc., was named as agency for the association, the amount of free publicity has nearly doubled

The total for the most recent 12-month period tabulated was 108,000 inches, as opposed to 64,000 two years earlier. All garden editors who are not running C. A. N. releases, or who are using the material without mentioning the association by name, are being contacted to give greater cooperation in the future.

Looking ahead to enlarged, hardhitting campaigns this fall and next spring, the association carried on this spring's second annual Can-Can Planting Carnival with comparative

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Placards, streamers and pennants obtained through the C. A. N. proclaim this nursery's participation in the Can-Can event. About 100 member firms cooperated.

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#### Sorting the Woody Ornamentals

## Few Spireas Popular Despite Range in Height **And Blooming Time**

By Donald Wyman

Horticulturist, Arnold Arboretum

Spireas, as a group, are not an important part of the garden picture. A few have been extremely popular, and at least one may have been overplanted in the past. Of the 149 spireas listed in this article, 84 are growing in the Arnold Arboretum and only half that number are offered by American nurseries.

In the recommended list are only 28 species and varieties that I think are worthy of consideration for landscape planting, a too-large number made necessary because there is a spread of nearly three months in the time of bloom. Also, those recommended range in height from one to 12 feet, so that actually there are none too many for specific purposes.

There are several native to North America, but these have not been selected as worthy landscape plants. Spiraea latifolia is the hardiest of all (zone 2) and grows about four feet tall, with white to pink flowers in

Spiraea Nipponica

pyramidal spikes, but it is only planted in the coldest regions (if at all) where other plants are not hardy.

Spiraea tomentosa, the native hardhack spirea of the eastern United States, is a weedy, 3-foothigh shrub with poor foliage, possibly looking well in old cow pastures where it is native, but suited for little other than naturalistic plantings. It is listed by only a few United States nurseries.

The majority of those recommended are hardy in either zone 4 or 5. Other than those already mentioned, it is highly probable that most spireas would suffer winter injury and hence require much renewal pruning if tried in colder areas, although there may be a few exceptions. For instance, F. L. Skinner, Dropmore, Man., Canada, lists Spiraea bumalda Anthony Waterer, billiardi, media sericea, menziesi, pikoviensis, trichocarpa and trilobata.

As a group they are valued chiefly for their flowers. None have ornamental fruits. Only a few, like S. prunifolia and thunbergi, may have autumn color worth mentioning.

Concerning the time of bloom. they are listed below in groups as they bloom in the vicinity of Boston, Mass.

Early May June Early to brachybotrys Mid-July thunbergi Mid-May decumbens arguta margaritae multiflora nipponica prunifolia superba trichocarpa Late May cantoniensis veitchi vanhouttei wilsoni

bullata Most growers know that spireas can be divided into two groups for

July-August

albiflora

bumalda

canescens

japonica

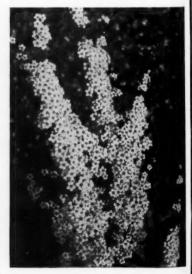
pruning purposes. Those that bloom Spirea is the correct spelling of the common name, but spiraea is the correct spelling of the Latin or scientific name.



Spiraea Bumalda Crispa

on the previous year's growth (i.e., the early-flowering ones) should be pruned after they flower. Those that bloom on the current year's growth should be pruned before they flower. In fact, if this is done in the very early spring, this is one of the ways to increase the size of the flower clusters of such species as bumalda, japonica and margaritae. Other species blooming on the current year's growth are albiflora, bullata and canescens. (All the others in the recommended list bloom on the previous vear's wood.)

As a group, the spireas are thought of as having small, creamy-white flowers in flat clusters or pyramidal spikes. Mention must be made of four species with pink flowers-brachybotrys, bullata, margaritae and super-



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chybosuperba-and two species with deep pink and almost red flowers-bumalda and japonica.

Anthony Waterer is perhaps the most popular of all low red-flowered spireas, but bumalda crispa has flowers practically the same color and much better foliage. Both are about two feet tall, while the japonica varieties are about twice that height. These are undoubtedly mixed up or misnamed in the trade. The variety with the darkest red flowers of all the spireas is S. japonica atrosanguinea. The variety ruberrima has lighter-colored flowers, but they are still an excellent deep pink.

Finally, mention should be made of height and habit of these spireas. The lowest ones are decumbens and bullata, which are 12 inches and 15 inches tall, respectively-suitable only for planting in limited situations. Spiraea albiflora is only 18 inches high, and the bumalda varieties are about two feet. The tallest of the recommended spireas is S. veitchiabout 12 feet high; there must be a lot of planting room available to put in such a plant, requiring an area of at least 225 square feet, where better shrubs like viburnums or rhododendrons would give much longer ornamental interest.

It must be admitted that species like S. arguta and vanhouttei have a gracefully arching habit which is difficult to improve upon, especially when the branches are covered with flowers.

Spireas are easily propagated by cuttings, grow fast and so make salable plants in a short time. They have no serious insect or disease pests, can be harshly pruned and re-cover quickly and so have been used as cheap landscape "fillers" in many situations. As they mature they frequently require renewal pruning. The discerning plantsman will not grow many spireas, and the more valuable space available, the fewer are the spireas that should be considered for it.

#### Recommended Spireas

Following the name of each recommended species appear its mature height in feet, hardiness zone, place of origin and common name. The zone numbers are those on the hardiness map in the author's book "Shrubs and Vines for American Gardens."

S. albiflora: 1½, Z 4, Japan, Japanese white spirea—This species is in many nurseries as S. japonica alba,

Illustrations with this article are from photographs supplied by the Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, Mass.



Spiraea Prunifolia

which is actually a synonym. It is a fine July-blooming, low, white spirea, which can be used to excellent advantage with the pink to red-flowering S. japonica, which is taller. It is also good to use in combination with S. bumalda.

S. arguta, 5 to 6, Z 4, (thunbergi x multiflora), garland spirea-Originating before 1884, this is the most free-flowering of the early spireas, blooming in mid-May. The white flowers are borne in small umbels on arching branches, making it excellent for specimen planting.

S. arguta compacta—The plant in the Arnold Arboretum is still small, but it looks as if it might have merit for ornamental planting.

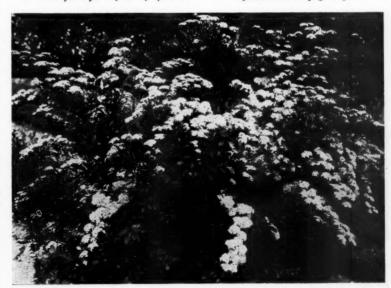
S. brachybotrys: 8, Z 4, (canes-

cens x douglasi) - One of the best of the taller, summer-blooming spireas, with small, bright pink flowers in panicles one and a half to three inches long. Blooms in late June.

S. bullata: 15 ins., Z 5, Japan-Flowers deep rosy pink, July and August; valued only as a dwarf shrub.

S. bumalda crispa: 2, Z 5, (japonica x albiflora)—Bright crimson flowers in flat clusters sometimes as much as six inches in diameter, the same color as those of Anthony Waterer. This is of particular interest because of its leaves, that are slightly twisted or crinkled, making it an excellent specimen for its foliage as well as its bright flowers.

S. bumalda froebeli: 3, Z 5, (ja-[Continued on page 71]



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## Virginia Short Course On Highway Landscaping

By Albert S. Beecher

The sixth annual landscape short course sponsored by the Virginia agricultural extension service of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute in cooperation with the landscape division of the Virginia department of highways was held at Blacksburg, Va., on the campus of V. P. I. In addition to the nurserymen and landscape architects in attendance there were representatives from 35 different agencies or organizations that are responsible for the designing, planting and maintenance of Virginia roadsides, parks and grounds of public institutions. The program included papers on plant maintenance, plant diseases, weed control. turf management, plant selection and landscaping of the new interstate highway system.

The program marked the final official appearance of Prof. A. G. Smith, Jr., V. P. I., as his retirement became effective at the close of the course. It was largely through Professor Smith's efforts that the Virginia Nurserymen's Association became organized and later developed into a strong state nursery association. During the course, the members of the department of horticulture presented Professor Smith with a

gift.

On the opening day the program was divided into two sessions. One session was planned especially for

the highway landscape personnel, and administrative matters were discussed. The other session was planned chiefly for nurserymen and park and public grounds officials. At the latter session "Landscape Considerations for Parks and Public Grounds Officials" were discussed.

#### **Maintenance Objectives**

Prof. A. S. Beecher, extension horticulturist, V. P. I., opened the session by talking on "Maintenance Problems." He pointed out that the maintenance of public grounds has become increasingly costly and complex. Planning is important in a maintenance program, and the grounds superintendents must take time out to make longe-range as well as short-range plans if the job is to be done efficiently and within the budget. A well-developed maintenance program includes planning; scheduling; growing and maintenance of turf; planting and care of trees, shrubs and perennials; tree removals; equipment maintenance; insect and disease control; weed control; soil erosion; land preparation; maintenance of roads and parking areas, and cleanup.

It is important for the maintenance man to have a set of objectives to work toward. These objec-

tives might be

(1) A program directed toward

seeing that the grounds are clean and orderly in appearance; (2) protecting the health, safety and convenience of the people using the grounds, and (3) fulfillment of the proposed design.

In carrying out the third objective, it will be desirable for the main. tenance man from time to time to consult the original designer or a competent nurseryman to revaluate the over-all design. It may be necessary to add new material to create year-around interest or to add material where the plantings do not come up to the original expectations of

the designer.

The next speaker was Dr. R. H. Gruenhagen, plant pathologist at the college. Dr. Gruenhagen outlined some of the plant diseases that give nurserymen and grounds superintendents the most trouble. Those in attendance were invited to take advantage of the plant disease clinic at V. P. I. by sending in diseased plant material for diagnosis. Plants sent in to the clinic should be placed inside plastic freezer bags before mailing. He also strongly urged those sending in specimens for diagnosis to be sure to give as much detailed information about the plant as pos-

The speaker also mentioned that the Nurserymen's Notebook, which contains information on specific diseases of ornamental plants, is available from the plant pathology department at V. P. I.

Allen Kates, extension weed specialist, discussed "Spray Equipment for Weed Control in Lawns." Mr. Kates had on display several types of sprayers and outlined the advantages and disadvantages of each type.

Charles Cleaver, of the Virginia Electric & Power Co., next spoke briefly on his firm's new brochure. "Trees Are Lovely." He pointed out that his firm is interested in seeing that Virginians select the right tree for planting near utility lines. The new brochure offers some suggestions and ideas on the selection, planting and care of trees.

The final session of the afternoon was a tour of the V. P. I. Arboretum. Dr. J. H. Tinga, horticulturist at V. P. I., conducted the tour. The group had an opportunity to see some of the research projects in ornamental horticulture conducted by the V. P. I. agricultural experiment station and was especially interested in looking at the dwarf woody plant material being developed there.

On the second day, both groups met in a joint session. Dr. Walter S. [Continued on page 55]



Honored at the Virginia short course was Prof. A. G. Smith, Jr. (second from left) retiring from the department of horticulture, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, after 33 years. He is shown as he received a gift from the department presented by Prof. A. S. Beecher. R. L. Nicar, Virginia state highway department, is at far left, and Wesley Judkins, head of the horticulture department, at right.

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## Western Shade Tree Conference

Panel Discussion on New Tree Introductions a Highlight of Long Beach Program

Dr. John W. Neill, associate professor of horticulture at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B. C., Canada, was elected president of the western chapter of the National Shade Tree Conference by chapter members gathered at the Lafayette hotel, Long Beach, Calif., for their annual meeting, May 8 to

Other officers elected were Leslie Mayne, Mayne Tree Expert Co., San Mateo, Calif., vice-president, and C. Elmer Lee, line clearance supervisor, Southern California Edison Co., Los Angeles, secretary-treasurer. Millard Blair, M. F. Blair Tree Experts, Mountain View, Calif., remains as editor, and the directors are Kenneth Hadland, park superintendent, Las Vegas, Nev.; Norman W. Hicks, Cedarvale Tree Experts, Vancouver, and E. D. Price, Davey Tree Surgery Co., Gridley, Calif.

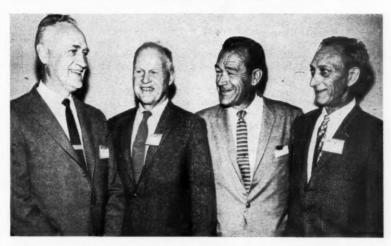
Among program highlights of the meeting were two panel discussions, "New Shade Tree Introductions," presented Monday, May 9, and "Inservice Personnel Training," which was heard Tuesday afternoon, May 10

On the panel discussing shade tree introductions were Maunsell Van Rensselaer, director of the Saratoga, Calif.; Prof. V. T. Stoutemyer, department of floriculture and ornamental horticulture, University of California, Los Angeles, and Dr. John W. Neill. Dr. Neill acted as moderator. The audience participated in questions and discussions on a list of recent shade tree introductions compiled by the Saratoga Horticultural Foundation.

#### Breeding Work Slow, Costly

Of the various methods of obtaining desirable new trees, perhaps the most expensive and time consuming is plant breeding. Though foresters are doing more and more in this field, breeding programs are not well developed among the growers of ornamental trees. Such work is undertaken most frequently after a disastrous disease has struck, such as chestnut blight, elm wilt or elm phloem necrosis.

These programs have proved so expensive that most of the work has been sponsored by federal bureaus and not by individual state experiment stations. Much of the tree



Officers elected by the Western chapter, National Shade Tree Conference, at the chapter's Long Beach meeting: Left to right, Dr. John W. Neill, president; Leslie Mayne, vice-president; C. Elmer Lee, secretary-treasurer, and Millard Blair, editor.

breeding which has been done has been elementary in comparison with the advanced techniques used on some agronomic crops.

In spite of the expense involved, some projects in tree breeding might pay. For instance, the trade could use a taller, nonweeping callistemon (bottle brush). Callistemon viminalis is a tree that has a wide range of usefulness. It thrives in the low-elevation deserts but is not excessively tender. It is a streamside tree in its native land and thrives under lawn watering.

Callistemon lanceolatus in standard form is being used to a limited extent as a street tree, but it probably is too slow growing and too small to be ideal for most situations. It has a most desirable habit, however, and if hybridizers could develop a form that attained the size of C. viminalis it would be a valuable and remarkable tree. Breeding might provide many such opportunities in other plant groups.

#### **Patents Offer Inducement**

Since the plant patent law was passed, nurseries have more inducement to take up serious plant breeding. However, here difficulties arise, because of the great number of nursery items and the relatively limited sale of most of them.

The rose has been the conspicuous example of truly profitable and successful plant breeding by nurserymen. There is a little professional plant breeding being done with camellias, but most of the patented

ornamental trees now available probably did not arise from a systematic plant-breeding program. Many were chance variations that were spotted by keen observers of plants.

In the case of many plants, perhaps the cheaper and better way to obtain desirable forms would be to collect all of the promising species and test them. Certainly some of the Australian melaleucas are fine street trees, but they are too tender for any but the most restricted use. Here the problem would seem to be that of locating hardier desirable species, if such exist.

This is the method of wholesale introduction and testing. It is not necessarily expensive, but in the past it has often been haphazard and wasteful. Best equipped to handle this method are well-financed and organized arboretums and botanic gardens. Thanks to the Du Pont foundation, there have been several plant-hunting expeditions that are focusing attention on ornamentals that have never been the subjects of any but incidental attention in the past.

A third approach is the ceaseless search for chance variations in native and introduced plants. Some notable collections of trees have been accumulated in this manner, as, for instance, those of the Saratoga Horticultural Foundation.

The remarkable collections at the public parks of Rochester, N. Y., made by the Slavins consist largely of this type of material. A diligent

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## **Making Summer Maintenance Pay**

By John D. Schatz

There appears to be a common fallacy among many nurserymen that the summer maintenance program is a necessary evil associated with the business, but is not a profitable phase of the industry. In discussing this matter with other nurserymen, one reaches the conclusion that they either do not understand this facet of the business or else they have no interest in improving the situation.

Our small landscape firm, like many others, was forced into this service in order to keep our full-time employees busy through the summer months. There were only three other nurseries in our city of 100,000 actively engaged in spraying and other summer maintenance work at the time.

However, the only requirement for this operation is the purchase of a \$15 license, and this resulted in many fly-by-night spray services making their appearance. Some migrated in from as far away as 500 miles.

Many of them failed to rid the plants of insects and diseases, and consequently the people were soon dubious of all spray operations. We had, fortunately, built up a small landscape business through good service which resulted in satisfied customers, and this gave us at least some edge on the fly-by-nighters.

#### Profitable Phase of Operation

Today, our summer maintenance program consists of spraying, pruning and fertilizing and is a most profitable part of our total operation. Charges for these services are as follows: Minimum service charge, \$3 per call, plus 50 cents per gallon of spray material used for general spraying of evergreens, lawns, etc.; \$3 to \$8 for spraying shade trees, depending on the size and number of trees involved; \$3 to \$5 per hour for pruning, depending on the size of the job, plus \$3 per load of trash hauled; .2 cent per square foot for fertilizing lawns, and \$1 per inch of diameter for fertilizing trees. For roses, small shrubs, perennials, etc., we charge according to the quantity and size, with a minimum of 10 cents. The general spray mixture used costs slightly less than 9 cents per gallon to prepare.

We have found that a successful maintenance program depends heavily on the personnel involved. The following requirements are essential in our selection of an employee: (1) Some formal training in horticulture and entomology, (2) pleasant personality, (3) honesty, (4) neat appearance, (5) initiative and (6) ability to learn. Frequently college students majoring in horticulture or entomology, who need summer employment, are used satisfactorily. Rental uniforms may be used to keep the employees clean and neat in appearance.

#### **Commission Spurs Initiative**

We pay all employees a 10 per cent commission in addition to their regular hourly wage on any job obtained on their own effort. This has proved quite effective in keeping a keen initiative. Any new employee is taught to dismantle and reassemble the spray machine. He is given both oral and written instructions on the various spray materials and on insect and disease life cycles. After this, he is accompanied by an experienced employee for a few days until he learns the price schedule and other phases of the program.

For any business to be successful, satisfied customers are a necessity. We attempt to cultivate those who want quality work and are willing to pay for it. Timely articles given to the local newspaper have been quite worthwhile, as our name is used for reference. All invitations to appear on TV or radio public service programs are accepted. We speak before many garden clubs, church groups, art groups and educational organizations. This allows us to help educate the homeowner to the need for our services and helps keep our firm name before the public. Newspaper and radio advertising appears to attract the bargain hunter and has not been used to any extent in our operation. However, we are considering the use of this medium again this

One of the most effective methods of customer contact is the use of a return post card, which is mailed to all our landscape customers and previous maintenance customers, thanking them for their past business and reminding them of our summer maintenance service in late spring. If they desire our service, they fill out the return card and send it to us. This helps combat the competition that is working from door to door in the neighborhood and allows us to

start our program after our spring planting season.

The post card reads:

Dear Customer:

We wish to thank you for your past business and inform you that we will be operating our power sprayer again this summer. In our area bagworms and many other pests that attack evergreens and other ornamental plants do not hatch until about June 10. For this reason, we do not start our regular spray program until later; but should you have insect or disease problems on shade trees or other plants, please do not hesitate to call us. (Please check and return.)

I desire that you spray at our resi-

desire that you spray at our residence at the proper time.

Comments: Evergreens and roses.

Name:

Address:

Generally about 90 per cent of the cards are returned, and that provides us with a sizable group of customers to start the season. Those that fail to return the card are contacted, and to 8 per cent of these give us their business again for the summer. This method provides us with enough jobs to take us through the first five or six weeks of the season, and, of course, we are acquiring new customers continuously. Most of our work is guaranteed, and we respray at no additional cost, unless the difficulty is obviously not our fault.

#### **Maintains Contacts**

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#### COMING EVENTS

#### MEETING CALENDAR

June 1 and 2—California Association of Nurserymen and the department of ornamental horticulture, California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo, annual nurserymen's refresher course, Cal Poly campus.

June 5 to 7—Georgia State Nurserymen's Association, convention, Ida Cason Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga.
June 8 and 9—Eastern Regional Mail

Order Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Hotel Harrison Hall, Ocean City, Md.

June 12 to 14—Alabama Nurserymen's Association, convention, Whitley hotel, Montgomery, Ala.

June 12 to 14-South Carolina Nurserymen's Association, annual meeting and short course, Clemson College, Clemson, S. C.

June 16 and 17-Short course for Florida nurserymen and growers, University

of Florida, Gainesville, Fla.

June 19 to 21—Plains Nurserymen's
Association and New Mexico Association
of Nurserymen, joint convention, Scharbauer hotel, Midland, Tex.

June 21 and 22-Illinois State Nurserymen's Association, short course, University of Illinois, Urbana.

June 21 and 22-Kentucky Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Mammoth Cave national park, Mammoth Cave, Ky.

June 26 to 28-Maryland Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Williamsburg, Va.

June 26 to 28-Mississippi Florists' and Nurserymen's Association, annual meeting, Buena Vista hotel, Biloxi, Miss.

June 26 to 29-American Society of Landscape Architects, annual meeting, Waldorf-Astoria hotel, New York, N. Y.

June 28 and 29-Short course for Missouri nurserymen, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

July 5 - Ontario Nurserymen's Assoiation, educational tour, starting from Hamilton, Ont., Canada.

July 5 to 7-New York State Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Long Island, N. Y.

July 6-Connecticut Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Lake Compounce, Bristol, Conn.

July 8-National Shade Tree Conference, Ohio chapter, summer meeting, Cincinnati, O.

July 17 to 20-American Association of Nurserymen, annual convention, Netherland Hilton hotel, Cincinnati, O.

August 1 and 2-Indiana Association of Nurserymen, summer meeting, Morton Arboretum, Lisle, Ill.

August 4 — Northeastern New York Nurserymen's Association, annual tour and picnic, Adams Nursery, Westfield,

August 7 to 9-National Mail Order Nurserymen's Association, annual convention, Hotel La Salle, Chicago, Ill.

August 8 and 9-Michigan nursery and landscape conference, Kellogg Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.

August 9 to 11-Ohio Nurserymen's

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August 14 to 17—Texas Association of Nurserymen, annual convention, Adolphus and Baker hotels, Dallas, Tex.

August 14 to 19-National Shade Tree Conference, annual meeting, Statler hotel, Boston, Mass.

August 15 to 17—Northern Nut Growers' Association, annual meeting, Knoxville, Tenn.

August 16 - Nebraska Association of Nurserymen, annual summer meeting, Lincoln, Neb.

August 17-New England Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Boulevard Nurseries, Newport, R. I.

August 18 and 19-Iowa Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, Iowa State College, Ames, Ia.

August 21 to 23-Southern Nurserymen's Association, annual convention, Atlanta Biltmore hotel, Atlanta, Ga.

August 21 to 26-American Association of Nurserymen, management conference, Sagamore conference center of Syracuse University, near Raquette Lake, N. Y., and Lake Arrowhead conference center of the University of California, Lake Arrowhead, Calif.

August 24—New Jersey Association of Nurserymen, summer meeting, PerkinsdeWilde Nurseries, Shiloh, N. J.

August 25-Pennsylvania Nurserymen's Association, summer meeting, University Park, Pa.

August 25 and 26-Washington State Nurserymen's Association, summer convention, Chinook hotel, Yakima, Wash.

September 15 to 17—Louisiana Association of Nurserymen, Inc., annual convention, Blackham Coliseum, Southern Louisiana Institute, Lafayette, La.

September 20 to 22-California Association of Nurserymen, annual convention, Yosemite, Calif.

#### FLORIDA SHORT COURSE

The program for the sixth annual nurserymen's and growers' short course, held at the University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla., June 16 and 17, has been released by E. W. McElwee, head of the department of ornamental horticulture at the university. Details of the program are as follows:

#### JUNE 16

Session at McCarty Hall auditorium. 9:30 a. m.—Welcome, by J. N. Busby, assistant director, extension service, Uni-

assistant director, extension service, University of Florida.

9:45 a. m.—"Promoting the Nursery Business," by Alice Smart, Florida Nursery & Landscape Co., Leesburg.

11 a. m.—"Plant Materials for Special Landscape Effects," by Bailey O. Breedlove, landscape architect, Fort Lauderdele

12 noon-Lunch.

#### LANDSCAPE SESSION

1:30 p. m.— "Landscaping Small Homes," by Dr. E. W. McElwee, depart-ment of ornamental horticulture, University of Florida.

sity of Florida.
2:30 p. m.—"Transplanting Trees and Palms," by William Brooks, Wyldwood Tropical Nurseries, Dania, Fla.
3:30 p. m.—Panel discussion on landscaping, with Dr. E. W. HcElwee, Bailey [Continued on page 23]

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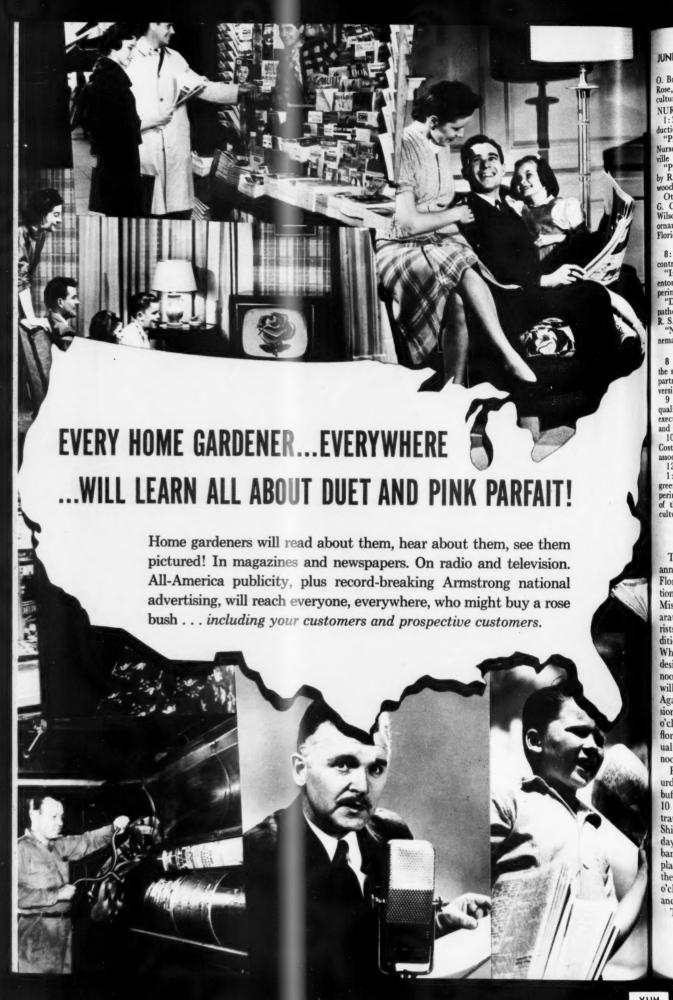
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O. Breedlove, Dr. J. N. Joiner and S. A. Rose, department of ornamental horticulture, University of Florida, panelists. NURSERY PRODUCTION SESSION 1:30 p. m.-Panel discussion on pro-

duction problems in the nursery: "Production Problems in the Landscape Nursery," by P. D. Shoemaker, Jacksonville Landscape Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
"Producing Container-grown Stock,"
by Ray Oglesby, Oglesby Nursery, Holly-

ood Fla.

Other panel members will include Dr. G. C. Horn, R. D. Dickey and F. L. Wilson, of the staff of the department of ornamental horticulture, University of Florida.

**EVENING SESSION** 

8:30 p. m.—Panel discussion on pest control:

"Insects," by Jim Brogdon, extension entomologist, and Dr. L. C. Kuitert, ex-

periment station entomologist.

"Diseases," by Dr. H. N. Miller, plant pathologist, experiment station, and Dr. R. S. Mullin, extension plant pathologist.
"Nematodes," by Dr. V. G. Perry, nematologist, experiment station.

JUNE 17 8 a. m.—Report on research work by the staff and graduate students of the department of ornamental horticulture, Uni-

versity of Florida.

9 a. m.—"Cultural Practices for High-quality Nursery Stock," by Iim Griffin, executive secretary, Florida Nurserymen

and Growers Association, Key Biscayne.

10 a. m.—"Increasing Profits Through
Cost Control," by Dr. C. C. Moxley, associate economist, extension service.

12:30 p. m.—Lunch. 1:30 p. m.—Visit to Archer road greenhouse and horticultural unit, ex-perimental farm conducted by the staff of the department of ornamental horticulture

#### MISSISSIPPI PROGRAM

The program announced for the annual meeting of the Mississippi Florists' and Nurserymen's Association at the Buena Vista hotel, Biloxi, Miss., June 26 to 28, schedules separate instruction sessions for the florists and growers on two days, in addition to several joint social events. While the florists are meeting in a design school from 9 a. m. to 12 noon Monday, June 27, the growers will meet from 10 a. m. to 12 noon. Again in the afternoon, separate sessions will be held from 1:30 to 5 o'clock. Similarly on Tuesday the florists and growers will have individual programs from 9 a. m. to 12 noon and from 1:30 to 5 o'clock.

Preceding the convention, on Saturday, June 25, a cocktail party and buffet have been planned for 8 to 10 p. m. On Sunday, besides registration, there will be a boat trip to Ship island for preregistrants. Monday evening the florists will have a banquet. Tuesday, balloting will take place all morning. In the evening the president's reception at 6:30 o'clock will be followed by a banquet and dance

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#### SOUTHWEST MEETING

The combined meeting of the Plains Nurserymen's Association and the New Mexico Association of Nurserymen has been scheduled for June 19 to 21, at the Scharbauer hotel, Midland, Tex. The program has been planned to give members an opportunity to discuss their problems with each other and to become better acquainted.

A ladies' luncheon has been arranged at the Midland Country Club on June 21, and the entertainment for children accompanying their parents will include miniature golf, swimming and bowling, as well as trips to the Dennis Menace and the

Playland parks.

Convention chairman is Walker, Walker Nursery, Midland, and cochairman is George Vineyard, Vineyard Landscaping Co., Midland. Details of the program, re-leased by Mrs. Lily Walker, secretary-treasurer of the Plains Nurserymen's Association, follow:

JUNE 19

1 p. m.—Registration. 4 p. m.—Directors' meeting: Plains Nurserymen's Association, Parlor A; New Mexico Association of Nurserymen, Parlor C

6:30 p. m.—Ice-breaker party, ballroom, Scharbauer hotel. 9:30 p. m.—Dancing.

JUNE 20

10 a. m.-Committee meetings. 12 noon—Lunch, ballroom, Scharbauer hotel. Entertainment by Kenn Eastin, Midland, Tex.

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1:30 p. m.—Panel discussion, with Warren Landwermeyer, Magnolia Seed, Hardware & Implement Co., Dallas, Tex., Steve Verhalen, Verhalen Nursery Co., Scottsville, Tex.; Ralph Callaway, Callaway Nursery, Carlsbad, N. M.; Tom Scarbrough, Tom's Tree Place, Lubbock, Tex., and Sterling Cornelius, Cornelius Nurseries, Houston, Tex.

6:30 p. m.—Family night, with buffet

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10 a. m.—Meeting of the Plains Nurs-erymen's Association in Parlors A and B, and of the New Mexico Association of Nurserymen in Parlor D.

12 noon—Ladies' luncheon, Midland Country Club, and A. A. N. Dutch-treat luncheon, Scharbauer hotel.

2:30 p. m .- Joint meeting, Parlors A, B and C. Introduction of new officers for 1960 and 1961.

7 p. m.-Banquet and dance, ballroom, Scharbauer hotel.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

For the A. A. N. convention scheduled at Cincinnati, O., July 17 to 20, a new combination of sessions for the educational program has been planned for the two groups involved, the A. A. N. garden center com-mittee and the National Landscape Nurserymen's Association. Last year, these programs were held jointly, but this year only one session will be sponsored by both groups, and each group will meet separately for an afternoon program. These meetings will be held July 19, the speakers and topics being as follows:

#### TUESDAY, JULY 19

9:20 a. m.-Welcome and orientation, by Jack Schneider, Orchard Nursery, La-fayette, Calif., chairman, garden center

fayette, Calit., chairman, garden center committee, in South hall.
9:30 a. m.—"The Juice Can Go with the Fruit," by Walter Burwell, Burwell's Nursery, Columbus, O.
10:30 a. m.—Recess.
10:45 a. m.—"Selling the Great American Customer," by Stephen Douglas, director of trade and consumer relations, the Kroger Co.

12:00 noon - General luncheon, in Pavillon Caprice.

#### GARDEN CENTER PROGRAM

2:00 p. m .- "Is Your Voice You?", by speaker from the Cincinnati Bell Telephone Co.

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2:45 p. m. — "Is Price the Entire Story?", by Gordon Baker Lloyd, KABC-TV, channel 7, Hollywood, Calif.

3:15 p. m. — Recess.

3:30 p. m. — Garden center panel, with Jack Schneider, moderator:

"Modernizing Your Nursery To Keep Pace with Changing Conditions," by Ernest Wertheim, San Francisco, Calif.

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"Christmas Promotion in the Garden Center," by Larry Bachman, Bachman's, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn. "Special Promotions," by Gordon Baker

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4:00 p. m.-General discussion. 5:00 p. m.-Adjournment.

#### LANDSCAPE MEN'S PROGRAM

Meeting in Caprice suite L and M. 2:00 p. m.—"Patio Design and Construction," by Walter T. Menne, Sheridan Nurseries, Ltd., Toronto, Ont., Canada. 2:30 p. m.—"Improving Your Landscape Color Slides," by John J. Klinker, U. S. Printing & Lithograph Co., Cincingation, Constitution, Co

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3:00 p. m.—Landscape panel: "How To Build Your Landscape Nursery Organization, by Louis Hillenmeyer, Jr., Hillenmeyer Nurseries, Lexington, Ky. To Promote Your Landscape

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Nursery Business," by J. Frank Styer, Styer's Nurseries, Concordville, Pa. 3:45 p. m.—General discussion. 4:00 p. m.—Gab fest, moderated by Harold Parnham, Robinson & Parnham,

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N. L. N. A. booster period.
4:30 p. m.—"How To Build a Summer Volume in the Landscape Department," by Roy Graham, Old Orchard Gardens, Webster Groves, Mo.

NEW IERSEY DATES

#### 5:00 p. m.-Adjournment.

The date set for the annual summer meeting of the New Jersey Nurserymen's Association is August 24. The date was incorrectly published as August 4 in the calendar listing of trade meetings in the May 1 and May 15 issues of the magazine. Hosts for the occasion are the Perkins-

deWilde Nurseries, Shiloh, N. J.

#### MAIL-ORDER MEETING

Meetings of the Eastern Regional Mail Order Nurserymen's Association have been announced for June 8 and 9 at Ocean City, Md., by G. Hale Harrison, Harrisons' Nurseries, Berlin, Md., president. Sessions will be held at Hotel Harrison Hall, Boardwalk and 15th street, facing the Atlantic ocean, where reservations have been made for Tuesday night, June 7, through Wednesday night, June 8, or longer.

The program, which will cover selling nursery stock through retail catalogs, circulars and newspaper advertising, will start Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock, and there will also be a session the following day. President Harrison urges members to take their families to the affair, as there will be a good time for all.

#### LILY SHOW SCHEDULED

The 13th annual international lily show of the North American Lily Society will be held July 8 to 10 at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. The university and the Wisconsin-Illinois region of the N. A. L. S. will cooperate with Chairman Eugene Parfitt, Madison, president of the society, in staging the event. The annual convention of the N. A. L. S. will be held in conjunction with the lily show, and an extensive educational program is promised.

#### PLAN ONTARIO TOUR

Sponsored by the Ontario Nurserymen's Association, an educational tour for nurserymen will be held July 5. Starting at Hamilton, Ont., the tour will include points of interest because of practices in field growJUNE

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J. R. Burns, secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Association of Nurserymen, has announced that no summer meeting of that group has been scheduled this year.

#### BRONX ROSE DAY

June 7 has been set as the date for the 18th annual rose day, an event held at the New York Botanical Garden, New York, N. Y., with the cooperation of the American Rose Society.

#### WHITE GIVEN CITATION

The executive vice-president of the American Association of Nurserymen, Dr. Richard P. White, has just received a citation for distinguished service at the leadership recognition dinner of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States during its 48th annual meeting at Washington, D. C., May 2.

Distinguished service awards were presented to other prominent American leaders, including Bernard M. Baruch, Judge Leonard Hand, former President Herbert C. Hoover, Carl Sandburg and Clarence B. Randall.

The distinguished service award was presented to Dr. White in recognition of his service as chairman of the board of regents for the Institutes for Organization Management. This is an educational activity in furtherance of the cause of professional organization management in which Dr. White has been actively participating for many years.

#### SELL CONNECTICUT FIRM

Vanderbrook Nurseries, Inc., Manchester, Conn., was terminated recently by a vote of the majority of the stockholders. Louis Vanderbrook, who founded the nursery with his late father, Charles Vanderbrook, announced that the nursery business was sold to the Imperial Nurseries division of the American Sumatra Corp., East Hartford, and that he will retire. Charles Yurkshot, nursery superintendent for many years, will continue his work under the new ownership.

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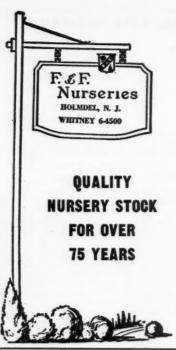
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#### **OBITUARY**

#### Edward J. Kelley

Edward J. Kelley, 77, associated with Hoyt Sons Co., Inc., New Canaan, Conn., for more than 50 years, died of a heart attack at his home at Norwalk, Conn., May 13. Although he had been in ill health recently, his death was unexpected.

Mr. Kelley had served as mayor of Norwalk for one term, taking office in 1945, and was a former state senator. He had served as a member of the Norwalk common council 12 years and had been active in many civic affairs.

A native of New Canaan, he was educated in the schools there, moving to Norwalk after his marriage. He was the son of the late Henry Kelley, who like his father had been a nurseryman at New Canaan. Well known in the nursery trade, Edward Kelley had been president of the Connecticut Nurserymen's Association and was the third person to have been named "Man of the Year" by that group.

He had served on the city's park committee and was active in the development of Veterans Memorial park. He had also been on the zoning commission and had been a member of the tax equalization committee and the Fairfield County Planning Association. He was vice-president of the Norwalk Savings Society and had been an incorporator of the Fairfield County Savings bank.

He is survived by his widow, Margaret; a daughter, Mary Louise, a teacher of music in the Norwalk school system; a son, Dr. Edward J. Kelley, Jr., police commissioner; four brothers, and six sisters.

#### O. H. (Bert) Lumry

Bert Lumry, associated since 1940 with the Mount Arbor Nurseries, Shenandoah, Ia., died Saturday, May 14, after three months' illness with cancer. Mr. Lumry was in charge of mail-order sales and syndicate store accounts for the nursery. He is survived by his widow, Dorothy; his small son, Mark, and six sisters.

#### Robert Hill Kistler

Robert Hill Kistler, 80, former operator of the Kistler Rose Nursery, Houston, Tex., died April 21 in a Houston hospital after a heart attack.

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A resident of Houston for the past 27 years, Mr. Kistler was a native of North Carolina. He is survived by his widow and two brothers.

#### Donald C. Brown

Donald C. Brown, 62, died May 8 at Rochester, N. Y. He was president of Brown Bros. Co., East Rochester, which this year is celebrating its 75th anniversary. Mr. Brown is survived by his widow, a brother and a sister. G. E. T.

#### William E. Bunting

William E. Bunting, 65, a partner in Buntings' Nurseries, Inc., Selbyville, Del., died April 21 in Beebe hospital, Lewes, after a brief illness.

Besides his widow, Delia, he is survived by his mother, Cora Bunting; his sons, William and Blaine; five brothers, Clayton, Chester, Raymond, Everett and Norman, and a sister, Mrs. Katherine Gray.

#### Carl A. Stevenson

Carl A. Stevenson, owner and operator of the Stevenson Nurseries, South Haven, Mich., for many years, died April 24 in University hospital, Ann Arbor. He was 85 years old and had been a resident of South Haven for 64 years, having served in the police department there at one time. Surviving are two daughters; a brother, Ernest, and two sisters.

#### Richard Larsen

Richard Larsen, 57, who had conducted the Silver Hill Nursery, Weston, Mass., died April 14, at New England Deaconess hospital. He had been ill about six weeks. The widow, Elizabeth N. Larsen, plans to dispose of the business.

APPROVAL has been given by city authorities to extensive renovation plans to be carried out in July by the City Line Garden Center, New Hyde Park, L. I., N. Y.

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Reflections on the Problems of Nurserymen By E. Sam Hemming

#### SEED PROPAGATION

When I advocate more seed propagation, my thoughts and intentions are sometimes misinterpreted. Immediately I am opposed with remarks about there being too much poor nursery stock raised from seeds or with stronger retorts, such as "You wouldn't sell a seedling peach, would you?" I believe a fuller explanation of the philosophy behind my advocacy is in order.

First, I might say that probably 85 per cent of my own propagation is vegetative and much of what is raised from seeds is items like pine, fir and spruce. The big difference between those who protest and myself is one of attitude, and some examples will be cited to illustrate.

#### Public Pays for Improvement

As much as an honest person might wish it, there is no way to avoid making the public pay for a plant improvement program, because testing can never be complete until the public tests the plant and tests it widely.

Sometimes after prolonged testing a minor fault may become a major one. In blueberries, for instance, the type of scar made when the fruit is picked materially affects its keeping quality and sale. Incidentally, the blueberry improvement program has been one of the best and most successful of all plant improvement programs. Nonetheless, progress has merely opened up visions of still greater possibilities, and the public will have to pay for them.

Sometimes, half a loaf is better than none at all. I recall talking to some plant breeders at an experiment station about a program for improving a certain crop. After some years, results were only about half of what they had hoped. The question then arose as to whether the moderately improved plants should be distributed, so that the public might have at least some benefit from the work, or whether the program should be continued indefinitely, perhaps with the net result that the public would get nothing.

I have been told that certain plants should never be grown from seeds except for breeding purposes. This would be true of the peach and apple and of some ornamentals, but

even here a faint rebuttal is possible.

Since breeding programs are always limited, many possible new varieties and clones just do not get created for lack of time and facilities. If seed propagation were more widely practiced by growers, there would be a much greater chance of such varieties' being discovered.

#### Same Rules Apply

It is sometimes forgotten that the same genetic rules that apply to annual crops-wheat, corn, tomatoesapply also to trees and shrubs. We think nothing of raising most of our food from seeds and, except that the generations are longer, our ornamentals could have been produced by the same methods.

In a few instances, vegetative propagation fails and makes this necessary. Just as a seedling tree can disappoint by the crop it produces, so can a grafted tree that displays faults after a few years.

Variation of seedlings is often a problem, but not always. Actually, in a great many plants seedlings show little or no variation. Anyone who has done much plant breeding soon realizes that plants reproduce true with maddening frequency and that to get a "break" is often an extremely difficult task. In other cases, plants will persistently refuse to hybridize.

Another thing that is forgotten is that varieties of our fruits, roses, etc., are unstable in that over a period of years (perhaps 50, with some exceptions) they tend to deteriorate.

#### "Too Many" Clones

There is today a mania for too many named clones; witness the azaleas. There is now a tendency to name too many hollies, particularly American hollies. Everyone who sees one a little different puts a name to it and propagates it.

Twenty-five years ago my father raised a lot of American hollies from seeds, marking them as to sex after they flowered. A majority of these equaled or bettered the named American hollies available. I think clonal names should be reserved for plants with really distinctive characteristics.

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In our constant endeavor to improve plants it is to be hoped that we shall not lose sight of the many facets of plant genetics and shall keep the role of the seedling in its proper perspective.

#### TAXONOMIST VISITOR

Dr. B. K. Boom, taxonomist with the institute of horticultural plant breeding, Wageningen, the Netherlands, and his wife arrived in the United States earlier this spring to visit nurseries and botanical gardens along the eastern seaboard.

Dr. Boom, who has published much valuable information about the cultivated plants of Holland, is making the trip to obtain unusual specimens for the institute's herbarium and woody plant collections. Mrs. Boom, an artist, is working with her husband in the project, making sketches and drawings of all the materials as the collection is made.

Dr. and Mrs. Boom began their expedition in Florida and will visit nurseries and botanical gardens in coastal states from there to Connecticut before returning home in July. During May they were the guests of H. J. Hohman, Kingsville Nurseries, Kingsville, Md., who, along with Dr. F. G. Meyer, United States Department of Agriculture, Beltsville, Md., assisted them in planning their United States trip.

ENTERING the nursery business under the name of A & B Gardeners, Anthony and Louise Azzato and Fred A. Bickell, Jr., plan to offer a general line of garden plants, shrubs and trees at their location on Granite drive, Norwalk, Conn.

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#### Spiraea Veitchi

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This shrub will grow 12 to 15 feet tall and may be almost as broad as it is tall. The numerous small flowers are borne in flat white flower clusters sometimes as much as three inches in diameter. The habit is gracefully arching, somewhat similar to that of S. vanhouttei, but taller.

Since this species was first introduced both here and abroad, it has proved reliably hardy in zone 5. The plant pictured on the cover of this issue was obtained from Veitch & Son in England in 1907 and has thrived in the Arnold Arboretum at Boston ever since. Once in a great while it is heavily pruned to promote young growth, and the photograph reproduced on the front cover was taken several years after just such pruning, for it is obvious that the plant is not up to its full height.

The leaves are entire, not toothed, three-fourths inch to two inches long and up to three-fourths inch wide. The flowers are, of course, white. Being a spirea, it is not susceptible to serious insect or disease pests and is quickly grown in almost any normally good soil. It can be pruned heavily and responds quickly to drastic treatment, doing best in the full sun.

In this day of small gardens, there is frequently not the space to give to growing such a large, vigorous deciduous shrub; so it is doomed to limited usefulness in our modern gardens, where space is usually a most decidedly limiting factor.

Donald Wyman

#### CAN-CAN CARNIVAL [Continued from page 9]

restraint, guarding its resources of time and money.

Rather than making an intensive effort to line up all members to participate, representatives encouraged participation, but left it to the initiative of the individual firm to join up or not. As a result, the association feels that the quality of participation by roughly 100 firms was New and Coming Sure-Fire Roses

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somewhat higher than before. However, it is expected that the coming promotions will include 200 fully and effectively participating nurseries.

Those areas that did receive personal effort from C. A. N. representatives stood out in number of participants and over-all effectiveness of program. In the Central chapter, for instance, six nurseries in Contra Costa county ran a doublepage spread in their local newspaper before the event and followed up with a full-page advertisement before the final week-end.

The Can-Can Planting Carnival ran from April 29 to May 8. As a result, some nurseries tied in their promotion with Mothers' day features. Some sent out mailers featuring the "Zing-it's Spring" theme.

#### Nurserymen's "Proclamation"

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#### PLANT NOTES HERE AND THERE

By C. W. Wood

#### Geum Waight's Brilliant

While looking up my notes on Geum triflorum which I brought together for the story on that plant in the preceding issue, I came upon Geum Waight's Brilliant. It reminded me that I seldom see it and other small geums in gardens any more. Growers miss not a little good garden material by ignoring it and others of the small fry, including G. borisi, G. depressum and G. gracilipes from our Pacific northwest and G. heldreichi and G. rossi, the last being a rather difficult thing from the Arctic region. But we are presently interested in Waight's Brilliant and the note referred to above, which is set down here as follows, with the reminder that it was written 26 years ago.

Evergreen geums are usually a problem in northern gardens, few of the border kinds being able to stand the winters at 45 degrees north, even under the beneficial influence of Lake Michigan. However, one is likely to fare much better with the dwarfs, especially if one is assured of a good snow covering. Consequently, I was not surprised when Geum Waight's Brilliant came through three winters (this was in 1942) unscathed. And a brilliant, satisfying thing it is, with its showy, orange-scarlet flowers on 4-inch stems, from early spring until midsummer, usually with another outburst of bloom just before winter overtakes it. As it has done best in shade in my trials, I have found that it makes a splendid ground cover plant on the north side of a shrub border, if it can be reached by the hose. It should be grown from divisions and can make good property in the hands of the neighborhood grower.

#### Centranthus

It is surprising to note that the centranthus species are so seldom mentioned in modern garden literature. It makes one think that they are strangers to many gardeners. That, however, may not be true of Centranthus ruber, for I have seen it in numerous gardens and several nurseries that I visit. And its summer-long production of red, valerianlike flowers, in dense clusters, always attracts attention:

Unfortunately, neither nursery-

men nor gardeners seem to have any knowledge of the former's sister, C. angustifolius. In this one, lovely, glaucous, long linear leaves replace the broad ones of C. ruber and the flower clusters are an entrancing shade of coral pink. It, too, is fragrant, the fact adding to the value of an already desirable plant. Of interest to impatient gardeners is the fact that both species give one to two months, or more, of color the first year from April-sown seeds. Their height of approximately two feet fits them for forward positions in sunny borders. They might also find a place in the cutting garden. It is interesting to note, too, that white forms of both kinds are mentioned in the literature.

The Spanish annual, C. macrosiphon, although rarely seen, deserves a better fate, especially from lovers of the unusual. In my trials it grew to about 18 inches and produced rather large, showy, rosy-red flowers in dense heads throughout the summer and early autumn from April sowings in the open. In addition to being a good cut flower, it is also a good border plant. Its bushy growth, clothed in pretty, bluish leaves, would make it a useful landscape plant, if it never bloomed.

#### Lesser Celandine

I received a letter recently which so vehemently condemned one of my old friends, the lesser celandine. Ranunculus ficaria, that I must rise to its defense. The writer is one of the few gardeners in the midwest who wholeheartedly condemn the plant "as a weed," while most of us agree with those of the Victorian age who called it "the flower of poets and children and simple country folk."

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AMERICAN NURSERYMAN 343 S. Dearborn St. Chicag Chicago 4, Ill. plant so much and praised its "kindly, unassuming spirit" so highly that its likeness is reproduced upon his tomb. My friend who dislikes it so thoroughly does not care to talk about it except to condemn it. I thought that this latter individual might have had an unpleasant experience with the plant, as could easily have been the case if he had introduced it in a constantly moist spot where he had been trying to grow delicate plants. But I found out in some way that his antipathy stems from Bowles' comment in his "My Garden in Spring," where he wrote that "with the common wild forms one constantly struggles but cannot entirely expel them from the garden.

I think it was Mrs. Wilder who compared the hater of the lesser celandine with the person who counts the spoons, knives and forks every night to find out if the guests ran away with any of them. Be that as it may, I am fully convinced that gardeners in this country, with the possible exception of those in the Pacific northwest, where the moist climate approximates that of Mr. Bowles' England, need have no fear

of the little charmer. The type spreads out a carpet of

pretty dark green, heart-shaped leaves over which floats a sea of highly polished yellow stars, on 6inch stems, in earliest spring, with such early comers as golden bells and squills. As the plants disappear with the coming of hot weather, one must be prepared to clothe their home with other vegetation or suffer the unsightliness of bare places. There is an even better form, known as variety major, sparingly grown in gardens, although I seldom see it in nurseries. Neither form is likely to prove bothersome in eastern gardens, especially if grown as an undercover along shrub borders or as a carpet for hardy, spring-flowering bulbs. It can be easily increased from the little tuberous roots.

#### The Blue-Leaved Hedge Willow

A North Dakota reader asks if the blue-leaved hedge willow, a dwarf form of the purple osier, Salix purpurea, I believe, would be hardy in his state. As it is reported native to the arctic tundra, I should expect it to be hardy in gardens anywhere in the United States. Type S. purpurea grows eight to nine feet tall, while the blue-leaved hedge willow never exceeds two feet, and I have never seen it taller than 18 inches. It may be kept to six inches or anywhere between that and its maximum growth by judicious pruning. It is not difficult, then, to see a wide field of usefulness in sections where more

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It may be pruned to any desired shape, so should be good material for topiary work; it makes a lovely trimmed hedge, its tiny branches soon filling in a tight, little bush covered with small blue leaves.

#### Swertia

While recently going over some notes made in 1936, I came upon the following made on Swertia perennis, which may be of interest to growers of alpines: The only American swertia that I know is S. perennis, found in the mountains from Colorado northward. It also occurs in Europe and Asia and seems to have been the basis for Farrer's brief remarks on the genus in his "English Rock Garden." It is a bog plant in nature, so we are told, and needs similar conditions in the garden.

It is not brilliant in the manner of many members of the gentian family, but could be useful for damp spots in sun or light shade where, during June and July, it displays 10-inch pyramids of pale, blue-purple flowers (Farrer, perhaps more correctly, calls the shade "wet-slate-color, flecked with darkness." I do agree with him when he says that the family's charm lies more in its quaintness rather than in brilliance.

I read in my earlier note that seeds sown in autumn in pans and placed in a frame to freeze during the winter provide the best means of increase. If that implied ease of propagation, it must have been written with youthful enthusiasm, for I found later that there was many a slip between germination and a finished plant, the plants being almost as delicate as the small gentians.

#### Typha Angustifolia

A Georgia friend of this column who grows material for dry bouquets would like to know where the miniature cattails seen in the market come from. I suspect they would have to come from the narrow-leaved cattail, Typha angustifolia, which is found rather sparingly throughout

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the eastern United States and, perhaps, in the western sections of Europe and Asia. I do not find a source of supply at the moment, but it should be available to collectors of native plants, perhaps near the inquirer's place. As I write this note, I have a few cattails on the desk in a dry bouquet which I gathered from a water-filled ditch in northern Michigan last fall.

Although I never have seen it in a nursery, I can see no reason why it would not sell to users of small aquatic plants and those interested in dried plant material of the small size needed for winter bouquets. One who has grown the ordinary cattail, T. latifolia, in a small pool or tub, knows what a chore it is, but if he tries growing T. angustifolia, he will soon know how charming it can be. And if one looks around in one's customers' gardens, one will see how many plants of its type are needed to relieve the monotony of floating foliage in the small pool. I have seen T. minima mentioned in European literature as being much smaller than T. angustifolia, but I cannot speak from experience how much smaller it is, though it would probably be worth investigating.

All ordinary demands could, no doubt, be met by dividing the clumps; if large numbers are needed, seeds should be planted in a pan or flat and plunged in shallow water. They apparently come 100 per cent if seeds are fresh.

#### Some Thoughts on Stitchworts

The stitchworts (stellarias, of botanists) are generally considered weeds by gardeners because, no doubt, of the untold headaches and backaches caused by the pestiferous chickweed and others of its ilk. The incorrect use of violent spreaders, like Stellaria graminea, has not improved matters. There are a few good things in the genus, however, a fact which was brought home to

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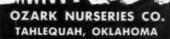
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me recently when I received an inquiry on S. laeta. Judging by what the inquirer said, I am sure he is talking about the plant I know as S. longipes laeta.

There is some confusion among botanists and the few nurserymen who have grown the plant, so I am not sure of the name. "Hortus" says that S. laeta is a synonym of S. longipes and calls the latter an annual. Gray's "Manual" makes S. laeta a variety of S. longipes, describing it as "usually very glaucous" and saying that it is "the commoner form northeastward, on sandy and gravelly beaches about the Gulf of St. Lawrence, Hudson bay, northward and westward.'

That describes a plant that I had many years ago from Frank Campbell, a grower of rare plants in the Detroit area, and from James Mitchell, of Vermont, who made a study of plants of the Gaspe peninsula. The latter told me he found the plant growing in north-facing crevices of rock cliffs where it received little, if any, sunshine and often continuous drip.

It had more blue in its foliage than any other plant I have ever seen, something that would make it beloved of gardeners if it were more permanent or easier to grow. My best success came from growing it in a north wall, but my garden was too dry for its permanent happiness. The way it died out at times, for no apparent reason, unless it was from lack of moisture in the surrounding atmosphere or from too much dry heat, was most disconcerting, but usually it left enough live roots to make a quick recovery. No doubt there is some reason for that behavior-a reason or reasons which would come to light after a little experimenting, something for which I did not find the time.

It is a lovely ornament with its blue carpet of leaves, over which shine bright, white stars in early summer. As mentioned before, it grew best in a north wall, planted in a leafy soil on the moist side. It also did well in a shaded frame where it had plenty of moisture. As far as the inquiry is concerned, I seriously doubt that much money could be made with the plant unless one had a clientele of ardent gardeners; however, it might be worth a trial. It grows readily from stem cuttings in early spring and probably at other times of the year, and it is not hard to keep going in a shaded frame.

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#### WESTERN TREE MEETING

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search over the years could be expected to produce disease-resistant trees in a wide variety of predictable forms and sizes, often carrying interesting special features of foliage, flowers or habit.

A fourth method of enlarging tree lists, which was seriously proposed by Professor Stoutemyer, is the growing of some shrubs as trees. The early slower growth and pruning needed would doubtless increase the initial cost. However, such trees would remain in proper scale and have a low maintenance requirement over long periods of time.

Leptospermum laevigatum can make a good lawn tree. Several of the escallonias, such as E. organensis and E. montevidensis, would probably make excellent small trees. Some cities are planting oleanders.

Toyon and Ceanothus arboreus are being tried in some municipalities. The hybrid forms of the latter would doubtless be preferable, as, for example, Ceanothus Ray Hartman. This is believed to be a hybrid of Ceanothus griseus and C. arboreus and is better adapted to garden conditions than the latter species.

Some of the large species of cotoneasters make highly acceptable small trees. One of the mountain mahoganies, Cercocarpus traskiae, is an exceptionally lovely small tree. There are many others which could be used in this manner.

#### Desirable New Trees

Although something of a weed tree, the western broad-leaved maple is useful. A selected form is Seattle Sentinel from the grounds of the University of Washington Arboretum. This might be propagated. A strikingly handsome evergreen tree now being distributed by the Saratoga Horticultural Foundation is Cinnamonum glanduliferum, the Himalayan camphor.

Cornus nuttalli eddiei is a variegated form with yellow-streaked leaves. This blooms both spring and fall under cultivation. A southern form of the same species, Pilgrim, is also grown on the rootstock of C. capitata. The western dogwood is capricious and difficult to grow on its own roots under cultivation, and losses are excessive.

An interesting hybrid between the English and Mexican hawthorns is Crataegus Autumn Glory. This has large, bright red fruit. Dodonaea viscosa purpurea is usually considered to be a large shrub but is being trained to standard form and is



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Geijera parviflora is known as Australian willow. It is a good tree for severe, desert conditions. Some new clonal ginkgos are ready for introduction. One of these, Fairmont, is an upright form.

Ilex altaclarensis wilsoni is being tried as a street tree in Fresno and Beverly Hills. Another holly under test is Ilex latifolia, which has exceptionally large leaves. Selections of the Formosan and the Oriental liquidambar from Asia Minor are being made. Both appear to be valuable species.

Sideroxylon novo-zelandicum is slow growing but most promising. Persea indica is failing as a street tree in southern California, because of root rot, but is more successful in the north. Tristania laurina is a small evergreen tree with bright yellow flowers and birchlike bark. Celtis australis has been outstanding in some locations but has had insect problems in others.

It was brought out in the discussion that seedlings of Magnolia grandiflora should never be used. Saint Mary was named as one of the finest horticultural selections of this species. It was also noted that Catalina island will be searched in the near future in an attempt to find superior types of the Catalina cherry for clonal propagation.

#### **Employee Training Panel**

Tuesday afternoon's panel on personnel training was moderated by Walter J. Barrows, superintendent of parks, Whittier, Calif., with O. A. Batchellor, chairman of the horticulture department, California State Polytechnic College, San Dimas, Calif., and Austin B. Carroll, lineclearing supervisor, Sacramento municipal utility district, Sacramento, Calif., as panel members.

In-service personnel training was seen by the panel as an executive function which, when properly executed, develops a specific tool to make it easier for each department head or owner to accomplish his objective. On-the-job training increases an employee's confidence and his willingness to shoulder additional responsibility.

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well-organized training and development program for all employees, it was noted that others scatter their attention to just a few employees and often overlook one of the great needs in this field of training—developing supervisory personnel. The panel emphasized that there should be an "understudy" for each key position in an organization.

In order to make personnel training effective, the employer should keep in close personal touch with all members of his staff. He should give them a sense of participation in the planning and conduct of the business and an opportunity to develop judgment and initiative. It is important that the employer or department head analyze the duties attached to each position on his staff to make sure the work load is evenly distributed.

The executive who is planning an in-service training program should ask himself the following questions: (1) Why is training needed? (2) In what specific areas is training needed? (3) What training materials and methods will be most effective? (4) When can the training best be undertaken? (5) Should the training be given on or off the job site? (6) Who will conduct the training? (7) Will the training be put into practice?

#### Employer Must Learn, Too

It is important that the person directing a training program seek additional information and develop greater skills himself if he wants his subordinates to do likewise. Many valuable ideas can be gained through trade publications, professional association meetings and contacts with individuals outside one's own field of endeavor.

Mr. Carroll showed a series of color cartoon slides presenting technical aspects of arboriculture and various applications of techniques in a clear, graphic manner. With this excellent training aid, employees can grasp such principles more clearly and quickly than if they were presented by the usual classroom method.

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#### TRI-COUNTY CHAPTER

A regular meeting of the Tri-County chapter of the California Association of Nurservmen was held at the San Roque Steak House, Santa Barbara, April 22, with 26 members

present.

Fred Gillalan, California Spray-Chemical Corp., Richmond, Calif., presented a time-lapse film, entitled "Mystery of Plant Life," showing the stages of plant growth and flower development. Knecht's Gardens, Ventura, withdrew from membership in the chapter. A change in the meeting place at Santa Barbara was suggested.

A request was read from Jack Wick, executive secretary of the C. A. N., to select three members for the legislative action committee and one member for the scholarship and education committee of the C. A. N. This matter was tabled.

A suggestion that the chapter have an entry in the Santa Barbara flower show in July was tabled until the next meeting, at which time Walter Barrows would present a plan.

Lynda Williams, Sec'y.

#### CENTRAL CHAPTER

The Central chapter of the California Association of Nurserymen met May 10 at the Alameda hotel, Alameda, Calif., with all directors but Ralph Weber, Telegraph Nursery, Oakland, present. State Association President Jack Schneider, Orchard Nursery, Lafayette, also attended the meeting. Introduced as a new member was Clarence E. Hoff,

Hallawell Seed Co., San Francisco. Ted Sorensen, Sorensen's Select Bulbs, Oakland, reported on the chapter's exhibit in the recent California spring garden show, and he thanked the committee that worked

on the display.

A substantial majority voted in favor of changing the constitution to

include a vice-president.

The following persons were nominated for offices for the 1960-61 term: President, Bert Wright, Wright Bros. Nursery, Lafayette; vice-president, Stewart Wade, Orchard Nursery, Lafayette; secretary-treasurer, Larry Basker, Oakland, and directors, Robert Barnhart, Montclair Nursery, Oakland; Leo Dupuich,

Encinal Nursery, Alameda; Bert Googins; Nick Lasagna, West Brae Nursery, Berkeley; William Mulholland, Mulholland Nursery, Montebello; John Rosa, and Ben Colombo, Franklin Canyon Nursery, Martinez.

Speaker for the evening was John Dolan, director of the Oakland School of Memory. To demonstrate the effect of concentrated memory work. Mr. Dolan met every member personally and then was able to call every one by his correct name. Mr. Dolan said that most memories are potentially good and that people need only be taught to concentrate to improve their memories.

Larry C. Baker, Sec'y.

#### SUPERIOR CHAPTER

The Superior chapter of the California Association of Nurserymen held its April meeting at the new Cordovia Lodge, just outside Sacramento, Calif., with an attendance of 57.

President Richard Oki, Oki Nursery, Perkins, conducted a short business meeting before Tom Irving, Fair Oaks Boulevard Nursery, Sacramento, secretary, presented the program. Two films were shown, one on Las Vegas, Nev., and the second showing scenes of Washington, D. C. The meeting was then adjourned.

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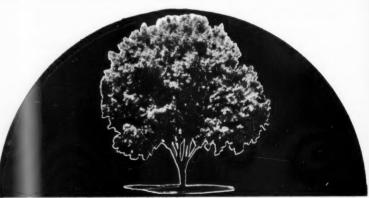
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#### A. A. R. S. HOSTS PRESS

May 6, All-America Rose Selections, Inc., presented the winners of the 1961 All-America awards to press and broadcast representatives at San Francisco. Cocktails and luncheon for 60 preceded the presentation, staged at the Fairmont hotel. Paul Howard, Howard Rose Co., Hemet, Calif., president of A.A.R.S., narrated the history of the organization and told its benefits to the industry and the public.

J. Awdry Armstrong, Armstrong Nurseries, Ontario, Calif., discussed the 1961 winners, Duet and Pink Parfait, both from Armstrong's. Mr. Armstrong explained how All-America roses are developed in general and the evolution of these two in par-

seated at the head table, along with Messrs. Howard and Armstrong and this year's Rose Queen, were David Stump, Armstrong's, and Walter Borchers, W. B. Clarke & Co., San Jose, a leading organizer of the San Francisco function.

Seated around the tables, adorned with arrangements of this year's winners, were other leading rose growers. Among those wearing corsages and boutonnieres of Duet and Pink Parfait were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stocking, Stocking Rose Nursery, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. George Roeding, Jr., with George III and Bruce, California Nursery Co., Niles; John Hahn, Ruehl-Wheeler Nursery Co., San Jose; Pat Dering, Peterson & Dering, Scappoose, Ore.; Dennison Mory, Jackson & Perkins Co. of California, Pleasanton, Calif., and William Moffet, Mount Arbor Nurseries, Shenandoah, Ia. R. B. K.

#### **OREGON NOTES**

The Rose City chapter of the Oregon Association of Nurserymen met recently at Portland, with the chapter president, Joe Klupenger, Klupenger Nursery & Greenhouses, Portland, in charge of the meeting. Members of the Portland theater workshop presented entertainment, and Mr. Blitch, resident claim superintendent, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co., was speaker for the evening. A third portion of the program consisted of color slides of retail nursery layouts and landscape plantings supplied by Paul Van Allen, Portland Wholesale Nursery Co.; Bob Walker, Holgate Nursery; Norman June, Junays Garden Center, and Joe Klupenger, all of Portland.

The Columbia River chapter of the O. A. N. met at Gresham April 28, with president Bill Moller, Moll-



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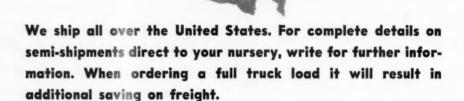
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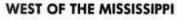
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64 pages, 3000 names, 25e per copy American Nurseryman Chicago 4. er's Nursery, Fairview, presiding. Reed Vollstedt, Reed's Garden Centers, Eugene, president of the O. A. N., attended the meeting. In a short talk he urged members to support association activities and discussed the Gearhart meeting, dates of which are September 19 to 21. Harry Thompson, Principal, Gresham Union high school, spoke on the new junior college that will be started at the school in September. E. Mike Dering, Peterson & Dering, Scappoose, showed pictures of the rose gardens he visited in Europe last year and then answered questions about European methods of growing and merchandising.

President Reed Vollstedt of the O. A. N. chose George Caldwell, Stark Street Nursery, Portland, as chairman of the Gearhart committee. Mr. Caldwell called a meeting of the committee May 11 at the Portland Wholesale Nursery Co., at which time plans were laid for staging the Gearhart meeting.

Mrs. Robert Snodgrass, Esch Nursery, Portland, recently reported the theft of a huge, 32-year-old rhododendron. The plant had been sold and was balled and burlapped for delivery-with a 6-foot ball. According to Mrs. Snodgrass, it must have taken three men and a truck to accomplish the theft.

Fred Edmunds, Jr., rose grower, Portland, has been appointed general chairman of the 72nd annual rose show, which will be held June 9 and 10 at the Sheraton-Portland hotel.

Ambrose Brownell, Brownell's Holly Farms, Milwaukie, was recently chosen as president of the East Willamette Savings & Loan Association, which opened at Milwaukie in April. Mr. Brownell and other officers were shown in a front-page picture carried in the Milwaukie Review. C. H. P.

#### U. C. SOIL MIX

At a recent meeting of the Monterey Bay chapter of the California Association of Nurserymen, John Edwards, Edward's Nursery, Palo Alto. Calif., a camellia grower, discussed the U. C. mix for container stock. The U. C. mix is a soil mixture developed by the University of California, Berkeley. Because of the increase in subdivision in California, nurserymen in the northern and central parts of the state are faced with a shortage of good soil for container growing. During the past 50 years California nurserymen have used various soil mixes, the one considered best containing leaf mold. But because leaf mold is not always avail-

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able in sufficient quantity, nursery-men cannot depend on it. They have tried to use peat moss, but with little success. Other mixes contained fir bark and redwood sawdust.

The U. C. mix utilizes a windblown sand that is readily available and of uniform quality. It must be clean, and the soil and containers have to be sterilized. Methyl bromide applied under polyethylene-lined tarpaulins will control fungus and weeds in the mix, but because this practice robs the soil of most of its nutrients, they have to be added to the mix after it has been sterilized. Most growers use a force-feed system, fertilizing the plants whenever they are irrigated.

When a plant is sold, it is fertilized before it is sent out, the fertilizer being effective for 60 to 90 days. A retailer who receives plants treated this way should start a mild ferti-lizing program within 30 days of receipt of the plant. When a homeowner finally buys a plant grown in the U. C. mix and fertilized correctly, he will have a plant that is well started and has a good root system.

Some nurserymen might have had difficulty, because fertilizer leaches out faster and plants take more water in warmer valleys. However, growers are trying to stabilize the manner in which the plants are being grown so that nurserymen will be able to get the plants when they want them.

Nurserymen will ultimately have more success with plants grown in the U. C. mix. The same soil mix and fertilizing formulas are used for all kinds of plants. A book explaining the starting of plants in the U.C. mix is entitled "The U.C. Mix for Producing Healthy Container-Grown Plants, Manual 23."

The U. C. mix contains fir bark, which is less expensive than redwood bark and does not break down so rapidly, therefore reducing the amount of fertilizer required. Fir bark also drains rapidly and aerates much better; it has less tannic acid, which has a toxic effect on certain plants. Rice hulls are used in the mix when they are available and cheap. Because these two ingredients give great aeration and breakdown and liberate potash freely, there is no need to add potassium salts in fertilization. In Oregon, perlite and peat moss have been successfully used in the mix. The ingredients of the mixture make no difference in the end product, if the growing period is controlled. Soil chemists can determine what fertilizer is required by the plants.

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Thula occ. woodwardi, 6 to 12	45.00	40	0.00
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#### VIRGINIA SHORT COURSE

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Newman, president of V. P. I., commended those in attendance for their interest in keeping abreast of the latest research findings.

The morning session was devoted to papers on "Roadside Development." Speakers included W. S. G. Britton; C. A. Palmer; J. E. Harwood, of the Virginia department of highways; Frank H. Brant, landscape engineer for the North Carolina highway commission, and M. F. Collins, area engineer of the bureau of public roads.

#### Use of Native Plants Told

The afternoon session theme was "Planting and Related Items." Dr. Wesley P. Judkins, head of the horticulture department, presided. The first speaker was Prof. J. H. Tinga, horticulturist at V. P. I., who discussed "The Use of Native Plants for Roadside Planting.'

Preserving mature native trees that are on the right of way is a problem, he pointed out, but is not to be overlooked. It is also a problem to find plants that are rugged and acceptable for fill and cut sites. Kudzu, honeysuckle, coralberry and

Bermuda grass may be made acceptable to neighboring farmers by certain management practices that will keep the plants under control. An example of such a management practice can be found near Williamsburg, Va., where the maintenance crew cuts the tops out of loblolly pines once a year. This keeps the trees down in size and results in a pleasing roadside cover. This rough pruning job can be done by unskilled labor during the off season of the year.

Trees of small size can be moved with less transplanting shock and are less expensive to purchase, Professor Tinga continued. There are examples of whips that outgrew 3inch-caliper trees because the whips took off, and the larger trees stood still.

#### Money-Saving Aspect

Another aspect of the question has to do with saving money. Can the highway department enter into a long-term agreement with a responsible agency to landscape a section of a roadside or a rest stop? The bypass at Charlottesville, sponsored by the local bank, is an example. Some responsible garden clubs would prob-

ably be willing to cooperate with highway planners in this type of project.

#### Seek Farmers' Aid

Similarly, gentleman farmers should be encouraged to maintain their road frontage on a more intensive degree than would be justifiable for the department of highway maintenance crew. Two examples may help: The 4-H Club project of mailbox and farm entrance beautification has produced some good results that could be expanded. The tourist in Switzerland reports that the farmers clean their frontage right up to the highway. This is part of the farmers' education program of the tourist bureau. Maybe such organizations as Keep Virginia Beautiful, Inc.; the Farm Bureau, and the Ruritan Club could offer prestige farm awards for the best kept farm frontage in each county. Rules of the contest and projects would be approved by the highway department. At this point Dr. Tinga showed a series of colored slides, pointing out some of the plants that are most adaptable for roadside plantings.

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subject discussed by the next speaker. Frederic Heutte, superintendent of parks for the city of Norfolk, Va. To care for plants properly, one must understand their needs, he said. One of the basic facts that are often overlooked is that man, in his efforts to surround himself with beauty, seldom relies on plants that are indigenous to his locality, but selects plants from all over the globe.

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#### Lawn Pointers

"Establishment and Maintenance of Lawn Areas" was next discussed by Prof. A. G. Smith, Jr., who commented on the research work that he has conducted over a number of years in lawn grasses at the experimental plots in Blacksburg and Warsaw. He strongly recommended that professional workers buy grass seed and make their own mixture. In this way they can vary the proportions to fit the immediate needs. Seed mixtures are made to fit all pocketbooks. They cannot be made to suit all lawns, even in one state.

The speaker outlined the following 12 steps in establishing a lawn:

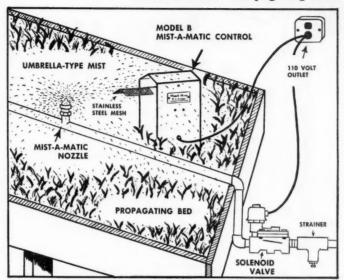
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4. Work these materials into the soil, mixing thoroughly, to a depth of four to five inches. Use a disk harrow or rotary tiller. In small areas, the mixing is best done by chopping with a hand hoe. Do not turn the soil with a plow or spade.

When cowpeas, soybeans, rye or other soil-improving crops are planted on the lawn, do not turn them in with a plow or spade. Use a hand or power implement to "chew" the organic matter into the soil. This material will rot much faster if five to 10 pounds of nitrate of soda are scattered to 1,000 square feet before the crop is worked into the soil.

5. If the soil is not wet, roll it to settle the soft spots.

6. Regrade to correct uneven places. Roughen the surface slightly to make a better seedbed.

7. Sow two to three pounds of grass seed to 1,000 square feet. Scatter one half in the opposite direction. Cover the seed by pulling a plank drag over the lawn or by light raking. Sow seed in late August or early September. March is the next best time. Bermuda seed is sown in May. Sprigs of Bermuda or zoysia may be planted from May to September.

8. Mulch with straw, three to four straws deep. A thick mulch will smother the grass. Use a mulch for either spring or fall seeding, unless special care and watering can be given. Thin netting or plant bed cloth may be used in place of straw, if fastened close to the ground.

#### Added Nitrogen

9. Scatter five pounds of sulphate of ammonia or six pounds of nitrate of soda and three and one-half pounds of ammonium nitrate to each 1,000 square feet, on top of the straw or other mulch. This extra nitrogen will stimulate growth and make the mulch rot quicker. Leave the mulch on the lawn for humus. Then run the lawn roller over the area before watering.

10. Use pegs, string or wire on exposed, windy spots to hold the mulch in place. If the straw is piled by wind or rain, respread as soon as possible. A light spray of asphalt over the straw may hold the straw in place until the grass grows through.

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Next on the program was a discussion of "Chemical Control of Undesirable Plants along Roadsides," by Dr. W. E. Chappell, department of plant pathology and physiology at V. P. I.

After Dr. Chappell's talk, a panel discussion, entitled "Roadside Utility Lines Clearance," was conducted by L. M. Hall, of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.; Hyland Johns, Asplundh Chipper Co., Jenkintown, Pa., and R. E. Sayre, of the Bartlett Tree Expert Co., Stamford, Conn.



The final session of the landscape short course held Friday morning was devoted to a turf research report, presented by Dr. R. E. Blaser, of the department of agronomy, assisted by several of his graduate students.

It is difficult to establish and maintain desirable grass cover on subsoils of many sloping cuts in

southern Piedmont, Virginia. Kentucky 31 fescue has not produced satisfactory stands nor maintained a good sod cover on many sloping cuts, even though highly fertilized. Roadside experiments showed better survival and ground cover of tall fescue when lime was used with fertilizer. Because of the difficulty of establishing and maintaining turf

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along certain roadside cuts, a greenhouse experiment was set up to observe 25 kinds of grasses and legumes when grown with lime applied at the rate of one ton and two tons per acre and without lime.

The response to lime varied with plant species. All of the legumes tested except Lespedeza sericea responded to lime. Among the grasses tested, only four (redtop, rye, Chewings fescue and Italian rye grass) could be satisfactorily established without lime. Lespedeza sericea was the only species that was injured by

applying lime.

Liming increased seedling vigor as early as a week after emergence and had a decided influence on increasing seedling weights. The increased seedling weights are of much importance, as it means a quicker and better stand as a result of liming. The root growth of plants such as alfalfa and bluegrass was restricted to the limed zone of the soil in the pot experiment. Liming had decided improvement on root growth and also increased nodulation in the case of legumes.

The seedling weights early in the experiment were slightly lower for the 2-ton rate than for the 1-ton rate of lime. The dry matter yields were also slightly lower for the 2-ton rate of lime as compared with the 1-ton rate of lime. Although the results show that the 2-ton rate of lime retarded the growth as compared with the 1-ton rate, most of the seedlings failed in the absence of lime. It is believed that the 2-ton rate is not generally too high for field conditions, since the lime is applied on the surface of the soil.

#### Use of Lime for Grass Cover

The lime in these experiments was incorporated with the top two and one-half inches of soil. The best practice of using lime with turf seedings on the highway program would be to apply one ton of finely ground limestone at the time of seeding and a second ton six months to a year after seeding. Reliming the second time would be especially desirable, as eroded areas that always occur during establishment would also receive the benefits of lime.

The next speaker, Prof. A. S. Beecher, discussed "Developing an Interchange Planting Plan." Professor Beecher gave an illustrated talk, showing some of the planting designs that have been worked out for the large highway interchanges in North Carolina, Connecticut, Ohio, New York and Virginia.

The final speaker of the short course was William C. Green, land-



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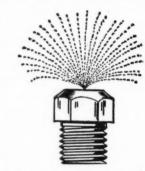
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scape engineer for the Connecticut highway department, who talked on the "Need for and Development of a Roadside Weed Control Program."

#### BRUENING'S EXPANDS

A \$50,000 building expansion program was announced recently for Bruening's Nurseries, Higginsville, Mo. Croft Bruening, one of the owners and operators of the family enterprise, states that construction will begin in June and continue over a 3-year period on a recently purchased 6-acre tract immediately adjoining the nurseries' present site.

Planned for the annexed land are a new "supermarket" garden center and office building and a large parking area for about 100 cars. Additional facilities for grading, processing and storing nursery stock will be included in the project.

This will be the latest step in the growth of a business that started in the early 1930's as a roadside stand operated by W. C. Bruening, Sr., a wholesale grocer. With steadily increasing trade, Mr. Bruening's nursery side line became a business, and his two sons, W. C. Bruening, Jr., and Croft Bruening, joined in the operation of it, as did his son-in-law, Palmer Day.

W. C. Bruening, Jr., now has charge of greenhouse and propagating operations of the nursery, and Mr. Day acts as sales representative. Croft Bruening handles administrative matters and directs another of the family's interests, Angus cattle breeding. Seventy acres of land are used to produce the nurseries' stock, evergreen shrubs and trees being specialties. A landscape service, directed by Mr. Day and Croft Bruening, is an important activity of the firm, which has landscaped several state buildings and educational institutions in Missouri, including the state capitol.

ELECTED recently to the post of vice-president of the American Society for Horticultural Science was Dr. Vernon T. Stoutemyer, chairman of the department of floriculture and ornamental horticulture, University of California at Los Angeles.

KRAUSE NURSERY, 3900 East Sprague, Spokane, Wash., is opening a branch outlet at 6112 North Division, Spokane. The branch operation, offering a full line of nursery stock and supplies and a landscape service, will be managed by Frank Vernon.

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# County Agents Visit New York Garden

By Robin Todd

Dr. Pascal P. Pirone, plant pathologist, recently acted as host at the New York Botanical Garden, New York city, for the southeastern district county agricultural agents. It was an excellent opportunity for the agents to see some of the functioning of this private organization as well as a chance to see the large horticultural collections in the herbarium and in the garden itself.

Many homeowners in New York city call the botanical garden for information on horticulture and gardening. The operator then refers the call to the specialist in the field whom she believes is most competent to answer the question. If it deals with botany or cultural practices, it is usually referred to T. H. Everett, who served as an apprentice in the Royal Botanic Gardens, at Kew, England. He recently compiled 14 volumes entitled "Garden Encyclopedia," which completely covers any garden subject.

If the question pertains to plant diseases and pests in general, it is often referred to Dr. Pirone. He, with Drs. Dodge and Ricketts, recently published the third edition of "Diseases and Pests of Ornamental Plants," which describes the diseases and pests of nearly 500 genera grown ornamentally and is up to date on the latest fungicide, insecticide or nematicide controls for such pests.

In addition, many nurserymen often send in plant specimens for identification. Over 2,500,000 specimens are included in the garden's herbarium at the present time. The New York Botanical Garden has spent the past five years collecting all known plant genera in the country of Venezuela, South America. Part of this undertaking is being financed by the National Scientific Foundation.

#### Common Garden Problems

Dr. Pirone gave a short discussion on the diseases he most frequently diagnoses for homeowners and on the controls recommended for them. Without a doubt, lawn grass is the most difficult plant for a home gardener to grow satisfactorily. The commonest mistake made by home gardeners is watering the lawn too often—more than once a week. He recommends that the lawn be soaked less frequently and in the early morning, in order that the water may dry off the blades of grass.

Another common fault in the



Dr. P. P. Pirone (left), New York Botanical Garden, welcomes L. A. Devenpeck, president of the southeastern district county agricultural agents.

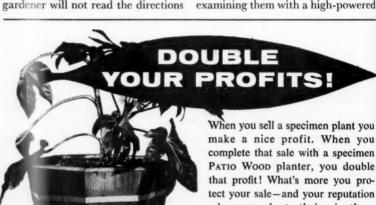
maintenance of home lawns is a low height of cut. A third fault is the gardener's passive attitude until trouble is present. Usually the home gardener will not read the directions on a container or, if he does, he often cannot calibrate the proper dosage to his home grounds.

Dr. Pirone noted that any garden supply dealer can tell whether a lawn injury is caused by Japanese beetles. All he has to do is lift up the turf and then he can usually spot the C-shaped grubs feeding on the roots. These grubs are rarely seen feeding on crab grass roots.

The chinch bug can be discovered by putting a piece of burlap over a bent grass lawn and then watering. The chinch bug can then be found on the bottom of the burlap. He suggested controls using Diazinone. Thiodan has been suggested as a new material by horticultural workers in Florida.

#### Lawn Diseases

The two commonest lawn diseases are curvularia and helminthosporium. Garden supply dealers and lawn maintenance men can diagnose this problem by taking the spores, putting them under a glass and then examining them with a high-powered



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microscope. The helminthosporium spore is long and thin, with many cross walls, whereas the curvularia spore is more tear-shaped and fatter and has only four definite cells.

The only spores that might be confused with these two are those of fusarium and rust. Fusarium spores look like those of helminthosporium, except that the former are definitely curved. Rust spores may also appear to the inexperienced eye to be somewhat similar in shape to curvularia spores, but they can be distinguished by the mycelium, or little knobtipped antennae, that may usually be seen growing out from one of the rust

Among other diseases that might be found on lawns are brown patch, dollar patch, powdery mildew, snow mold, rust on Merion bluegrass and striped smut.

Dr. Pirone recommended the use of Acti-dione as a control for curvularia. Four applications are needed in the New York metropolitan area, beginning May 15 and spaced seven to 14 days apart, depending upon the amount of rain and number of cloudy days.

An interesting point made by Dr. Pirone is that botrytis on peonies is often a secondary infestation and may not respond to applications of zineb. In such a case, the usual pri-

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mary causes of the condition are that the peonies have been planted too deep or that they lack sunshine or potash.

At the present time, a lawn maintenance man cannot give a 100 per cent guarantee on any treatment for lawn diseases. More research is being done in this field, but as of now the best recourses are preventive practices and early control methods.

#### Facts about the Garden

When welcoming the agents at the New York Botanical Garden, Dr. Pirone said that this privately endowed institution occupies 230 acres in the borough of the Bronx. It has a staff of 150 to 175, of which 25 are research workers, mainly taxonomists. The New York city government owns the property and finances some of the maintenance projects. A new library addition, to cost about \$1 billion, is being contemplated.

Touring the gardens, the agents were particularly impressed with the flowering cherries in bloom as well as the Korean azalea, Rhododendron mucronulatum. Excellent specimens of Ilex cornuta were also seen. During the tour of his laboratory facilities, Dr. Pirone mentioned that natural gas, which has largely replaced manufactured gas in many communities for cooking and heating use, does not contain materials that injure vegetation. In contrast, manufactured illuminating gas as well as ethylene may cause injury to vegetation. Dr. Pirone has done a great deal of research on this problem.

Profs. Arthur Lieberman and William Quinn, both of Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., spoke briefly to the agents present. Professor Lieberman stated that his Garden Guide, giving cultural recommendations for evergreens and deciduous shrubs, has now been made available to all garden supply dealers in New York state. The large type and yellow paper make it an ideal chart for a garden center. He reported that the United States Department of Agriculture will shortly publish a new bulletin on rhododendrons and azaleas.

Commenting on the excellent Kodachrome slides on horticultural subjects now available, Professor Lieberman noted that Gordon Nelson, of the Cornell entomology department, recently completed a new series of slides on tree insects. An excellent series of slides on pruning prepared by George Runge, who is now at Michigan State University, East Lansing, is available from the Nassau county extension service, Mineola N. Y.

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#### SOUTHERN WHOLESALERS

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ord number of employees we practically held our sales up to last season's. We could not ship the stock out according to all customers' wishes, but it seems most of us were in the same boat, and almost everyone was understanding.

"We had ample spring rains, and the stock that we have planted is doing well. We normally have all cuttings in April 1 to 5; this year we started planting them about this time. We usually have all our evergreen liners in the ground by April 15 or 20; we still have some to plant (May 6). Our planting program remains practically unchanged from that of the past two years.

"In spite of all the increased cost of labor, supplies, etc., we plan little change in prices. In meeting competition, we are unable to get more out of our stock, but we certainly should.

"While we are not cleaning up stock as well as we have in some other years, we are going to wind up with a good year, regardless of the weather. Our sales are practically the same as they were a year ago. Collections are a trifle slower, but not to an alarming extent. Some stock was shipped later than last



year's, so necessarily we would be getting our money a little later.

"We did not have too many problems in our shipping, as we usually have ample trailer trucks. The only problem was getting the stock dug on time."

Henry N. Boyd, Boyd Nursery Co., Inc., McMinnville, Tenn., cites the season's difficulties as follows:

"We experienced one of the worst

winters ever this year, as far as the shipping of nursery stock is concerned. Snow stayed on the ground during most of February and March, while it was very hot during the month of April.

"The weather, therefore, cut our season short, because February and March are the two key months for our digging, shipping and planting.

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"We are still planting, although we realize that, due to the lateness of the season, our stands will suffer. But we have no choice, if anything is to be planted this spring.

"The month of May up to the 15th has been cold, compared to April, which was the warmest on record."

#### Storms Damage Georgia Trees

Tree damage and lessened shipping gave a pessimistic view of spring trade at the Fruitland Nurseries, Augusta, Ga., according to James G. Bailie, whose remarks follow:

"Our shipping season is about over for this year. We had a bad winter, as far as weather was concerned. In the fall the storm Gracie did great damage here in Augusta, and many trees were damaged badly; some had to be removed.

"Then we had an ice storm, which injured old and young trees, and we were kept busy for weeks removing damaged trees. We believe the Carolina cherry, Laurocerasus caroliniana, was the worst hit of all. The city spent weeks removing broken branches from the sidewalks.

"Because of the higher parcel-post rates, our shipments have been less than last year's. People buy near home. Nor can we depend on railroad freight shipments, because motor freight has cut in."

#### Small Gain in Florida

Despite bad weather, sales this year topped those of last spring, writes George L. Taber, Jr., president, Glen Saint Mary Nurseries Co., Glen Saint Mary, Fla. Possible shortages are also mentioned as the result of cold weather damage last winter, noted in the following letter:

"The season just past was good in some spots and poor in others. Because of bad weather through the winter, our sales, both wholesale and retail, suffered. In spite of this, we are a little bit ahead of the previous year's business.

"As with most nurseries in the south, we find more calls for container materials and are gradually expanding our facilities to take care of this demand, particularly with regard to hollies and citrus. We are also stepping up our supply of camellias.

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partially as a result of the grades and standards program now getting under way in Florida.

"Supplies for next season will probably be spotty, showing fairly sizable shortages in some lines that were adversely affected by rain and cold last winter. The result seems to indicate continued good business, limited principally by abbreviated inventories. The profit margin squeeze is still to be reckoned with in Florida, as well as in some other southern states, but we believe that higher standards for nursery stock will alleviate this trouble by allowing growers to bring up their prices to a point more nearly in line with the economic trend."

#### Difficult Alabama Spring

"The past shipping season is almost a nightmare, in retrospect," comments Henry H. Chase, president, Chase Nursery Co., Chase, Ala. He adds: "The weather was unbelievable, and digging conditions were terrible.

"Some comprehensive soil testing is being done, and we hope fertilizers are correctly applied for this coming growing season. We have made an increased planting of shrubs and are hoping for the best.

"As of this date (May 14), we are still planting, though normally it is much too late a date for that. Every stick that goes into the ground is getting a big drink of water, and we hope for the best. Stock planted a month or six weeks ago looks prom-

"Our volume for the year is off a bit. We did not have a big crop of shrubs, and the demand for liningout evergreens, which usually brings in a tidy bit of business, seems to have been off considerably. We sold completely out of Magnolia soulangiana and dogwoods and had only a few shrubs left.

"Believe it or not, we had a light frost here May 13."

#### Oklahoma Feels Winter

J. Frank Sneed, Sneed Nursery Co., Oklahoma City, Okla., cites unusual delays in field work in the following comments:

"Our sales will about equal last year's. Four months of turbulent weather affected the retail and wholesale sales in the southwest area.

"All the nurserymen are 30 days behind with field work, lining out, landscape jobs and also collections. If cool weather continues, we may not have too bad a loss in our lining-out stock.

"For the past two weeks there have been storms and hail damage in Oklahoma, and we are thankful



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that we were not affected. We are looking forward to a good business next season. Most of the retail nurseries and landscape men expect to regain some of their lost business of February and March if cool weather continues."

#### Optimism in Texas

A feeling that the season served nurserymen well in spite of the difficulties and mention of prospective price rises are especially noteworthy in a report by Steve Verhalen, Verhalen Nursery Co., Scottsville, Tex.

"The spring season certainly threw us a curve in the nursery business. The late spring and the extremely cold weather, plus record snows, left us with the possibility of a lot of crop damage and no time or opportunity to do the necessary nursery work.

"When the cold season had gone, we had a terrific rush. I know that this applied to all, wherever they were and whoever it was trying to sell plants. The season is just at its peak at this period, May 1 to May 10, in more northern parts of the country. I hope that because of the lateness in getting started that we are able to continue further into the spring and early part of the summer, so that we can make up what was lost during our regular season.

"The outlook for this summer is good; our stock is off to the best growing we have seen so early in the season. Our supply is normal, but according to demands which we can now foresee, I believe it will be a little on the short side in general.

"The prices for another season, I think, should be newsworthy. All over the country there is distinct indication that the prices will be upward. Prices had to go up in order to enable the grower to stay in existence. Little growers and big growers will have to have more for their stock. Cost of all materials decidedly has gone up. The cost of labor-the biggest factor-is constantly going up, with more rise in sight, particularly with the new minimum wage law coming before Congress and almost certain to be passed.

"I do not think there will be any alarming shortages. All in all, the season looks good, and we feel that we will wind up the present selling period with a normal sales record.

#### Rose Price Rise "Certain"

The disappointing spring season has made it apparent to rose growers in the Tyler, Tex., area that a rise in prices, coupled with all possible improvements in production methods, is necessary for reasonable profit, according to Clark Kidd, Arp Nu

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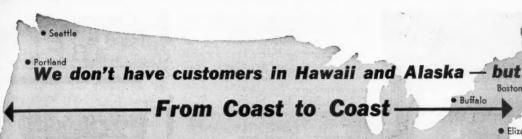
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Carl Shamburger, Carl Shamburger Nursery, Tyler, Tex., tells of a cleanup of good roses and prospect of a smaller harvest this season, as follows:

"Sales have been slow, due to a late spring over most of the country. However, most of the good bushes have been sold, and every nurseryman is fairly well cleaned up. This past season many Texas roses were injured by cold in the early fall.

"Prices stayed about the same as in the year before, generally speaking; some were a little higher.

"It is now beginning to warm up, and our stock looks good. However, the spring weather is late this year. We have had adequate rainfall thus far, and it looks as if we will have a good crop again this year. There will not be so many roses to harvest this year as last year.

"Our growing season in Arizona has been good. We completed our budding there two weeks ago (May 1), but we have not started that operation here."

#### Kansas Sales "Good"

Weather conditions made order filling difficult in Kansas, John J. Pinney, Willis Nursery Co., Ottawa, states, but the demand for stock was good. Other phases of the spring routine were described as follows:

"This past season will make many nurserymen wonder why they are in the business. With us the winter was the longest and severest on record. The snow did not melt until April, and the ground was so muddy we could not dig for a long time. Normally, we have about 12 weeks of digging weather, but this year we had about four, which made it difficult to fill orders.

"The demand for nursery stock was good; retailers were doing a good business, but were handicapped by the same conditions that we encountered and found it difficult to complete their contracts.

"The labor situation was tight. A great deal of government construction is going on around here, and it is difficult for nurserymen to compete with government wages.

"We believe that good-quality, upright evergreens are scarce and will continue to be in short supply for some time. Large-caliper shade trees are also in short supply.

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#### **SPIREAS**

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ponica x albiflora), Froebel spirea—With bright crimson flowers, this is a popular plant among many United States nurserymen because the secondary growth is sufficiently tall and vigorous to cover the dead flower heads produced in early to mid-July.

heads produced in early to mid-July. S. bumalda Anthony Waterer: 2, Z 5—A very low, crimson-flowered spirea, popular since 1890, when it originated. The young foliage is tinged pink as it first appears in the early spring. The flowers first appear in late June.

S. bumalda Norman: 10 ins.— Compact and very rare. The foliage is brown, turning a raspberry purple in the fall, and the flowers are rosy pink.

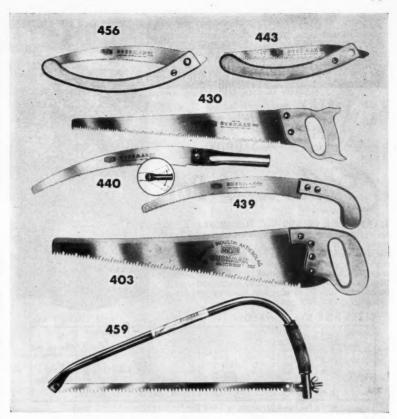
Note: There are one or two other low moundlike spireas being offered in the trade, none of which I have yet seen, but which may belong here. One is listed as S. bumalda alpina, with pink flowers, and another listed as S. digitata nana, with raspberryred flowers. The plant is reportedly only four inches tall and is supposed to come from Siberia.

S. canescens: 6 to 10, Z 7, Himalayas, hoary spirea—Blooming in July, with clusters of white flowers two inches in diameter, borne on the upper side of gracefully arching branches.

S. cantoniensis: 3, Z 6, China and Japan, Reeve's spirea—Sometimes incorrectly termed S. reevesiana, this is often considered even a better ornamental than the popular S. vanhouttei, although the latter is hardier. In parts of California it keeps its foliage a greater part of the year. The small, rounded, white flower clusters are only one to two inches in diameter and appear in late May.

S. decumbens: 1, Z 5, southern Europe—Of special interest for rockeries, this low, European, white-flowering spirea is extremely difficult to find in American nurseries at the present time.

S. japonica: 4½, Z 5, Japan, Japanese spirea—A handsome Japanese



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spirea, but its height is sometimes against it, forcing people to use the lower S. bumalda varieties. However, the flowers are pale to deep pink, sometimes white, appearing in mid-

S. japonica atrosanguinea: Mikado spirea-This has the deepest red flowers of any spirea, the flat flower often being four to five inches in diameter.

S. japonica ovalifolia - Flowers white.

S. japonica ruberrima—Flowers a deeper pink than those of the species.

S. margaritae: 4, Z 4, (japonica x superba), Margarita spirea - With flat clusters of rosy-pink flowers in late June. If the plant is thinned out in the late winter and the few remaining shoots are cut back to about one foot, it should be covered with blooms by late June, the blooms being from three to six inches in diameter. It may bloom a second or even a third time during the summer.

S. multiflora: 5, Z 4, (crenata x hypericifolia), snow garland spirea— An excellent hybrid, originating before 1884, with long, slightly arched branches covered with small white flower clusters in May. This does well in the Dakotas, apparently better than in New England. Sometimes incorrectly listed as S. multiflora arguta.

S. nipponica rotundifolia: 7, Z 4, Japan, big Nippon spirea-With bluish-green foliage, this shrub is rather stiff and not so graceful as some others. The small clusters of white flowers are numerous, appearing in late May. It has larger leaves and flowers than the species, hence is recommended.

S. prunifolia: 9, Z 4, Japan China, bridal and wreath-The small, double, white, button-size flowers in mid-May are this plant's popular feature. However, it is one of the few spireas which have red to orange autumn color in the fall. The single-flowered variety, simplicissiflora, does not make nearly so good an ornamental. There is no such variety as plena or flora-plena. This double-flowered plant was the first to be found by botanists in the Orient (1843) and was given the specific name prunifolia. When the singleflowered form was found later, it was given the varietal name. Usually the sequence is reversed.

S. superba: 3, Z 4, (albiflora x corymbosa), striped spirea - Only valued because of its late June flowers (light rose) and because of its

low height.

S. thunbergi: 5, Z 4, Japan and China, Thunberg spirea - Single white flowers in early May, this is usually the first of the spireas to bloom. The leaves are small and

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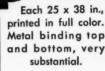
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S. thunbergi compacta-I have not seen this plant, but if correctly named it should have merit.

S. trichocarpa: 6, Z 5, Korea, Korean spirea-Somewhat similar to S. nipponica and its varieties, but it has larger flower clusters than S. vanhouttei and blooms shortly afterward.

S. trichocarpa erecta-According to F. L. Skinner, this is more compact and dwarfer than the species; flowers and flowering habit are similar.

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eral this looks like S. vanhouttei, but blooms slightly later, in early June.

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Rosabella (S. betulifolia hybrid)-12 to 15 feet tall, with flat panicles of pink flowers through the summer.

Snow White (S. trichocarpa x trilobata) - The foliage is larger and a paler green and the individual flowers are slightly larger than those of S. vanhouttei, which it closely resembles. However, Snow White is quite hardy at Dropmore, and S. vanhouttei is not.

Summer Snow (S. betulifolia x media)-Two feet tall, with flat panicles of white flowers starting the end of June and blooming until the end of August.

Other spireas needing further study are listed in the trade as bumalda alpina, "low cushion type with pink flowers," and digitata nana, "with raspberry-red flowers, the plant being only four inches tall and coming from Siberia."

# Plants Suggested for Discard

The following species and varieties might be considered for discarding:

A-differs little from species. B-ornamentally no better than other species and varieties that are recom-

C-of little ornamental value. x-hybrid species or variety.

alba-B alpina-C

amoena-B (somewhat similar to S. bella)

arcuata -Bx assimilis—B

bella-B (somewhat similar to S. amoena)

bella—B (somewhat similar to 5. ainocia, betulifolia—B x billiardi—This grows in 6-foot-high clumps, with flowers bright rose in pyramidal spikes during late June. It tends to be weedy and coarse, with uninteresting foliage, probably desirable only in neglected clumps or on banks in out-of-the-way places.

x blanda—B blumei—C x brumalis-

x bumalda—This is a hybrid species, and so the named clones or varieties are the ones to grow. There are some extremely poor unnamed clones of this species which have been raised from seeds.

x bumalda atrorosea, coccinea—Practically if not completely identical and flowers lighter in color than those of An-

thony Waterer and crispa—B x bumalda Rose Waterer—Merely a pink-flowering sport of S. bumalda Anthony

x bumalda ruhoniciana-A

cana (one of least attractive but very hardy)—C calcicola—C

canescens myrtifolia-A cantoniensis lanceata-B

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x fontenaysi, alba, rosea—Six feet, upright
types, little planted—B
x foxi—C fritschiana (koreana is a synonym)-B x fulvescens-C gemmata (mongolica)—C x gielseleriana—C gracilis—B henryi—B henryi notabilis-A hypericifolia-C hypericifolia acuta-A hypericifolia obovata (thalictroides)-A x inflexa-C x intermedia-C japonica acuminata—A japonica glabra—A japonica fortunei—Over four and one-half feet tall—B japonica macrophylla-C japonica macrophyna—Clancifolia—Clatifolia—Hardiest of all the spireas, four feet tall, with spikes of white to pink flowers; its only value is for planting in the coldest areas of the United States, where other spireas are not hardy, and even then only in naturalistic plantings. latifolia septentrionalis—B x lemoinei—B longigemmis-B lucida—B x macrothyrsa-B media—C media glabrescens—C media mollis—C media serica—C menziesi-Native from Alaska to Oregon, with rose-colored flowers in summer; this is a coarse shrub, requiring consid-erable pruning each summer. menziesi triumphans—Synonym for S. billiardi. x micropetala—C x microthyrsa—C miyabei —B
miyabei glabrata—A
miyabei pilosula—A
mollifolia—C
myrtilloides—B nipponica—B
nipponica tosaensis—A
x nivea—C
x notha—B nudiflora-C x oxyodon-B x pachystachys—C x pikoviensis—C prunifolia simpliciflora—Admittedly beau-tiful in flower, but because the flowers are single they do not last nearly so long as the double-flowered speciespubescens-C



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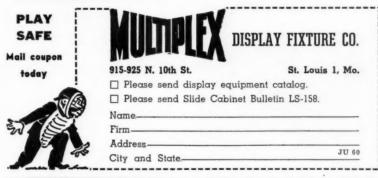
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tomentosa, alba—A species native in the eastern United States, closely related to the western S. douglasi; the foliage is poor and it does not make a good ornamental, although it is used in natural-

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trilobata — Like S. vanhouttei, but the
flowers are smaller—B

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# MAIL-ORDER REPORTS

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believe I would find that our sales of herbaceous perennials lead the field in sales increases, while fruit plants are lagging behind the rest. In the seed end of our business, garden vegetables are substantially ahead, while ornamentals are at about the same level as they were last year.

"March weather held up our shipping and early field operations, so that we were bogged down by starting out a full month behind. Operating under such circumstances is always difficult, but when the orders roll in as they did in April we are happy to be bogged down.

Spring trade was less than anticipated, according to the comments of C. R. Emlong, Emlong Nurseries, Inc., Stevensville, Mich. He describes the 1960 spring season as follows:

"We have just gone through a very disappointing mail-order season. As you know, last fall's mailorder business was, also, on a down trend. It was our feeling here that it was caused by the steel strike and extremely warm, dry weather in the early part of the fall. In making our plans this spring with the fact in mind that economic conditions were improving and that there should be a backlog of business for nursery stock left from last fall, we expected a much better turnover of nursery stock than we experienced.

"January and February were quite good, businesswise. However, a rapid decline set in immediately with the arrival of extremely cold weather in late February and March. This eliminated a great deal of the

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"Everyone in the mail-order business seems to be experiencing higher costs, with a decrease in volume. Consequently, it is quite difficult to show a profit. Then, too, the service that we are receiving from parcel post and express facilities is gradually deteriorating, and I am sure that this, coupled with increased numbers of outlets for nursery stock, is forcing many of our former customers away from us, and they are shopping locally."

### Contrary Season, with Sales Up

Robert W. Ackerman, Jr., Ackerman Nurseries, Bridgman, Mich., noted an over-all increase while coping with contrary weather and slow deliveries. He reviews the spring events as follows:

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BURLAP CO. 41 Carolina St. Buffalo 1, N. Y. Phone: CL 2339 gone and the planting season to be on hand, cold weather and snow arrived. In fact, it started snowing about the middle part of February and continued well unto the end of

"Our sales have shown an over-all increase this year, in spite of the severe weather in March. January and February were above last year, but the severe weather experienced during March curtailed sales considerably for that month.

"Strawberry sales were back to normal again this year, and we had good sales of roses, evergreens and ornamental shrubs, with a few exceptions. Ornamental trees and fruit tree sales dropped behind last year's sales. Apple and peach tree sales

suffered the most.

"We also experienced extreme difficulty in getting our shipments through in what we would term a reasonable shipping time. In fact, parcel post, express and motor freight were all slow; it has been taking 10 and 11 days for a shipment to go through to a point where it normally should take no more than three or four days. This causes considerable customer dissatisfaction.

"We are hoping this month (May) will remain cool, for we have just finished planting our strawberry fields and are now starting to plant our lining-out stock of all kinds. After the snows melted, we had so much rain it was impossible to get onto the ground to do plowing or planting of any kind."

### South Dakota Sales Hold

"The spring business equaled last season's," writes R. Ru-lon, Gurney Seed & Nursery Co., Yankton, S. D., continuing, "We experienced a considerable slowdown of business in March, but our late April and May business was highly satisfactory.

"We noted an especially heavy demand for shade trees, windbreak stock and small fruits. A late arrival of spring and rain caused considerable difficulty getting stock dug and processed in time for shipment. The cool spring has been a tremendous

help.
"With the increased postage rates, we find it a real problem to keep the meter postage machine in action."

### Minnesota Matches '59 Record

Added interest in evergreens and flowering shrubs helped to maintain the 1959 sales volume this spring, notes K. E. Relyea, Farmer Seed & Nursery Co., Faribault, Minn., writ-

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as it was in 1959. It did exceptionally well from January until the middle part of March and then gradually fell off until the middle part of April, when we were quite a bit behind. However, the last two weeks in April helped us back up to the 1959 point. This refers basically to mail-order sales.

"We are finding a better demand for garden seeds than for nursery items. Also, we probably helped our nursery sales by our new strawberry introduction. We note a lack of interest in raspberries and gooseberries and surmise that our sales in these items are below those of a year ago. There does, however, seem to be increased interest in evergreens and flowering shrubs."

### Faith in Mail Order Renewed

Hugh Steavenson, proprietor of the Forrest Keeling Nursery, Elsberry, Mo., takes a different view of snowbound spring business and its implications. He writes:

'March, 1960, is no doubt a month most nurserymen in the north, east and midwest would like to forget. But, if anything, the mixed up weather revitalized our faith in the

mail-order business.

"We have come in recent years to count more and more on drive-in trade, and March has been our bumper month. This March, weekend after week-end, instead of looking out the window and seeing the lot overflowing with parked cars, all we could see was 16 to 24 inches of snow on the ground. Even the oldtimers who can remember the turn of the century recall nothing like it.

"While mail order was certainly off during this period, it did provide some cash income, and mail order has continued to hold up better through April and into May than ever before. In mid-March our purchases and reserves for mail-order and drive-in trade appeared to be far too heavy, but most of our surpluses have now been cleaned up, thanks primarily to mail order.

The total and the dollar volume of our mail orders for 1960 will exceed last year's. While drive-in trade has picked up, with the loss of March and early April we will be lucky to come within 20 per cent of 1959 volume in this category.

"The turn of events this spring makes me wonder if those who were busily burying mail order a few short years ago may not be obliged to reappraise the picture. A few years ago mail order was particularly plagued and certainly hurt by a rush of questionable promotions. Now, with every banana stand, chain drug store,

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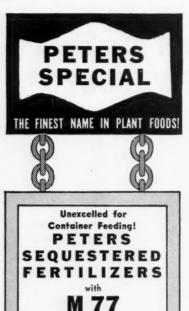
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## Missouri Sales Disappointing

Neosho Nurseries, Neosho, Mo., found the steel strike and severe spring weather disturbing factors in a program geared to celebrate the firm's 50th year. He comments:

"The mail-order department of our business has had a disappointing year. The fall season started off in an average sort of way, but the effects of the steel strike were soon felt. As near as we can figure, our sales dropped off 40 per cent during the larger part of our selling season.

"Inquiries in January started off well, showing an increase over the year before, but dropped off a little in late January and early February. Sales through January and up to mid-February were running 15 per cent ahead of the same period a year ago, and prospects looked bright. As with most other nurserymen in the country, the severe weather caused our sales to drop clear out of sight for the next four weeks. Just exactly where we will wind up we do not yet know, but the drop will be in the neighborhood of 20 per cent. We are celebrating our 50th anniversary and had budgeted for an increase over the year before."

### Weather Plagues Iowa Season

Spring sales below those of last year are termed satisfactory by George Rose, Henry Field Seed & Nursery Co., Shenandoah, Ia., in view of the adverse weather that plagued the season. He also notes that postal rate increases are causing changes in shipping procedures. His letter follows:

"The past season was one of the most difficult we have ever been through. We had an extremely difficult fall, with the month of November wet and freezing, which cut our sales heavily for that month and about stopped all of our digging just when we needed to get the stock in. There were a few warm days in December, however, and by sending everyone into the field, we managed

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to get in stock enough to cover our needs for early spring.

"January started off normally, with sales satisfactory. But from the middle of February until the end of March, business dropped steadily, as storm after storm struck across the nation.

"April did a right-about-face, and we began to gain back some of what we had lost the previous six weeks. We will not have so good a year as we had in 1959, which was the top year in the history of our firm, but we are going to end up with a good volume and, under the circumstances, we are more than satisfied.

"The 23 per cent increase in parcel post is adding greatly to our mailing cost. To offset this, we have bulk-shipped full tuckloads of parcel post packages to the Cincinnati post office for remailing to eastern points and in that way have managed to cut a small amount of our postage costs and also speed up delivery and eliminate some of the damage that ocurs in the shipping.

"We have devised some new containers for potted perennials and house plants that seem to be standing up better in the mails, as we have had few returns on them because of damage. Most supplies of nursery stock have been adequate.

"We find that bargain collections in the catalog, both in seeds and nursery stock, seem to be selling better than usual this year, which would indicate that money is a little tight and that customers are trying to get more for their dollar. We think this is quite true, particularly through the midwest farming area."

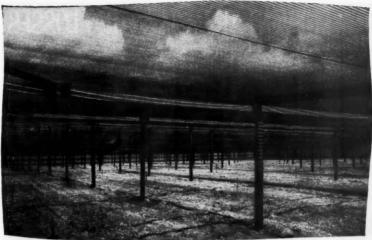
### Northern Iowa Report

"I believe that our situation in northern Iowa is much the same as for other midwest nurseries," reports Wayne Ferris, Earl Ferris Nursery Co., Hampton, Ia. He adds: "The weather in March was a severe blow to our sales. We lost considerable southern business, and the month in general, due to the severe weather, was nearly a complete loss.

"Our weather in April included a series of rains, and we worked under a handicap all through the season. We had as many as three inches of rain some days, and this, with the fact that warm weather came all at once, made it impossible to handle some evergreen sales.

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### WEST COAST TRADE [Continued from page 8]

are expected during the coming year in spite of ever-increasing costs. We expect over-all demand to equal or exceed last year's, although early season ordering has been affected to some extent by the late spring season in many areas.

"Since entering the container or-namental wholesale business two years ago, our major problem has been building up enough inventory to meet demand. We expect no slackening in demand for quality ornamentals within the immediate future and are continuing with our plans for increased production accordingly. Prices of container ornamentals may be expected to firm, the major factor being increased cost of containers.

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# Monrovia Sales Up Again

A highly successful season is outlined and an imminent increase in prices noted by Howard Past, president, in this letter from the Mon-

rovia Nursery Co., Azusa, Calif.: "The Monrovia Nursery Co. again showed a substantial increase in sales as compared to last year. Shipping presented a few problems. The weather in California, except for the first two weeks in January, was ideal for the nursery trade. Weather conditions in other states were less desirable, and out-of-state shipping was delayed several weeks.

"We realized this situation and, as we had a large amount of stock to be shipped out of state, we were prepared for the natural rush in late March and April. We trained extra help in the shipping department and, as in previous years, we used a night crew to facilitate our shipping.

"Quality nursery stock was in short supply this spring; as a result, we are practically sold out. We are planting considerably more stock this year and, if our future orders are an indication, we will again be sold out

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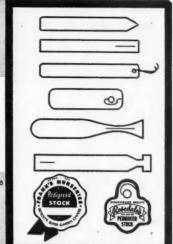
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"We have now completed one winter shipping season under a new management regime, which resulted in a moderate increase of total business. A few rough spots in the shipping procedures will be corrected before next winter. An extremely warm and late fall, coupled with an open winter here in the west, and an unusually severe and late winter in the rest of the country made it difficult to harvest our stock and schedule our shipments.

"Our program of increasing the quantity and quality of our container-grown stock has come along rapidly to meet the continuing heavy

"As a result of the mild winter in California, most retailers have had an excellent winter and spring season, with sales probably equal to or exceeding those of the previous year, to date. Indications are that the demands will continue to increase in many lines and that supplies will not always be adequate. Prices in most cases are continuing firm, with mod-

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# Oregon's Busiest Season

Andrew Sherwood, Sherwood Nursery Co., Corbett, Ore., tells of a rushing spring business and an

optimistic outlook:

"We have just finished the busiest season we have ever known; our gross sales are probably higher than in any past year. The season opened with a rush early last fall, favorable weather making this possible. Had it not been for an unusually late spring we would have been unable to ship all orders and probably would have been compelled to cancel some. Our customers realized this, and because they did not put pressure on us, we were able to meet all requirements, except for some slight delays in shipping. For the most part, our weather was favorable, possibly a little wetter than usual, and we did have a rip-snorting blizzard in March.

"We are short of specimen stock and will be for at least two years. We have the best supply of young stock we have ever grown. Specimen stock will be at a premium for years to come. It is discouraging to tell a customer we just do not have all the material he wishes, but that is happening every day.

"Seasonal labor is a headache, but with new methods and materials we are gradually working away from this problem. Next season may possibly be heavier than this one. The over-all outlook for the future is exceptionally good."

# More Oregon Optimism

A. H. Steinmetz, Portland Wholesale Nursery Co., Portland, also cites gains in 1960 as follows:

"Spring business has been good with us. Even though the weather at times threatened to disrupt the season, we find that our sales are up moderately above any previous year's.

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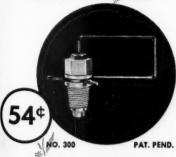


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"Prices in a few cases are up slightly, just enough to help cover the cost involved in producing highquality material.

"April was a wet month, and most growers are busy now with work that was delayed from one to three weeks. Growth of stock, however, has been retarded little, and only a week or two of warm May weather will get it back to normal.

"The demand for next year looks favorable, and there is the usual feeling of optimism among the nurserymen. Collections seem just a little slow at this time, but there is no indication that the credit situation is anything but normal, and it seems true that almost all nurserymen in this area have enjoyed a favorable year and that the usual margin of profit will prevail."

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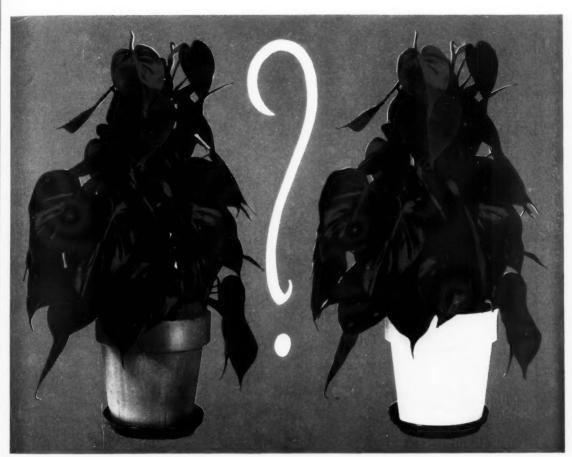
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